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Barber report says councils can trim up to \$1.25-million

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

There's "no compelling justification" for Haliburton County to restructure its government system, says a consultant, who believes municipal politicians can slash at least \$1.25-million from their spending.

By increasing their efficiency and sharing more services, municipalities should be able to convince the province there's no advantage to them amalgamating, says David Barber.

The county paid Barber's consulting company \$15,000 to examine each municipality's financial books in a line-by-line search for savings.

After a county report ruled against moving to a one-tier system, politicians wanted an outside specialist to help determine whether they could justify maintaining two levels of government.

Last week Barber delivered his report at a meeting attended by nearly all members of the county's 10 municipal councils.

"The whole thrust of this (provincial) government is to see that services are delivered more efficiently," he reminded the politicians. "One of the chief ways they want to do that is through amalgamating municipalities ... In this study I believe we've come up with another

option."

Barber recommends the county's two-tier system — 10 municipal councils and a county council — stay intact. But he says they should become more interdependent, cutting duplication where possible and sharing more services.

He also suggests that municipalities can greatly reduce their costs by setting common levels of spending — benchmarks — for all major functions and striving to meet them.

If councils stick to the benchmarks Barber's report sets for road maintenance, general government expenditures and other costs, they could save up to \$1.25-million, he said.

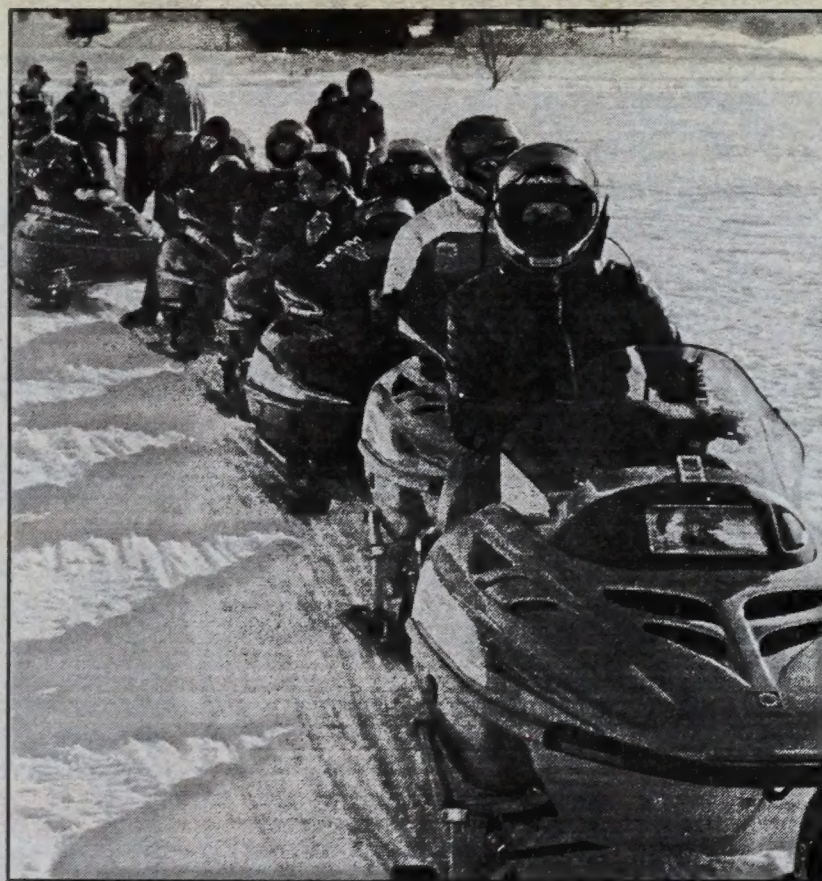
And if they develop benchmarks for all of their expenditures, municipalities should be able to reduce their spending even further.

"There are some really significant savings to be had here," he said.

Barber selected spending benchmarks by looking at how much it cost each municipality to perform various functions and setting a level slightly higher than the lowest price for each service.

For example, the report found municipalities spent between \$80 per household (in Dysart) and \$450 per household (in

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SNOW FUN!

The Snowfest activities on Head Lake during the weekend, attracted hundreds of snowmobilers, but it was also very much a family affair. At left, snowmobilers line up to test their speed on the radar run while above, two-year-old Victoria Etheridge of Maple Lake wishes she could take a run at it too. More photos page 8

Hospital cuts are twice the amount expected

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As it begins planning for its next fiscal year, the healthcare board is going to have to cope with a grant cut which is twice as big as expected.

Foster Loucks, the executive director of Haliburton Highlands Health Services, was notified last week that the

Ministry of Health was reducing its grant by 5.3%. Based on correspondence last spring, when the hospitals fell under the jurisdiction of St. Joseph's Health Centre in Peterborough, the board had thought the grant cut would be 2.5%.

On a budget of \$2.16-million

to run both the Haliburton and Minden Hospitals, that means a reduction of \$130,000.

"It will up the ante a lot on what we can retain in services," Foster Loucks says

"Those are real dollars that come off the top," says Loucks. "It will up the ante a lot on what we can retain in services. It will obviously put more pressure on us."

Compared to larger hospitals such as St. Joseph's, which suf-

fered a cut of 8%, and Ross Memorial Hospital at 6%, the 5.3% reduction doesn't seem as

bad "but 5.3% on a small budget is still very difficult to accommodate."

There are opportunities to make up the loss by generating revenue locally, but Loucks says "there's only so much other revenue you can generate."

Asked to give an example of what \$130,000 means to the

hospitals' budgets, Loucks says that with an average wage of \$35,000 a year, it's the equivalent of four staff positions.

At the recent HHHS board meeting, chairman Hugh Nichol stressed how imperative it was to start construction on the new facilities as early as possible. Running two small sites makes it very difficult to realize any economies of scale, he said, and the new facilities will help to alleviate some of the board's financial stress.

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MIKE AND JACQUIE Miscio lost literally everything except the clothes on their backs when their house on Soyers Lake Road burned down a couple of weeks ago. They were in Northern Ontario on business with their two-year-old daughter Juanita when the fire destroyed a lifetime of possessions, including his construction tools. The house was not insured. Right now, the family is living with his sister, Waneita Colman, who has set up an account at the CIBC in Minden should people want to make monetary donations. Donations of clothing and furniture would also be welcome. If you think you can help, call 489-3896.

Barager Funeral Homes in Bancroft, with its change in ownership, has been accepted to continue its membership in the International Order of the Golden Rule. Once a funeral home becomes a mem-

most owl, the Great Gray Owl is active during the day. It can be seen in open areas where it hunts for mice and voles.

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News about people and events in Haliburton County

ber, it must demonstrate its dedication to providing quality service to meet the needs of its community. These standards require members to provide dignified, caring service at fair and reasonable prices.

A winter visitor is back at Ken Reid Conservation Area in Lindsay and many people are coming out to see him. The visitor is a Great Gray Owl. Unlike

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Registered charities have the opportunity to refurbish their facilities this summer as part of the sixth annual Dulux Community Paint Donations program. Registered charities are encouraged to develop a proposal relating to community initiatives and how they benefit their communities. In June, recipients from across Canada will be selected to receive a portion of the \$50,000 worth of paint. More information on the Dulux Community Paint Donations program can be obtained by calling (416) 964-6444, ext. 436. All applications must be postmarked by May 1.

Onramps steer Haliburton County to info highway

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton County will soon get several onramps to the information highway through a federal program to give people in rural communities access to the Internet.

Ottawa has approved an application by the Haliburton County Development Corporation for about \$19,000 to help set up the Internet sites, under its Community Access Program.

Local service clubs, businesses and associations will match the government funding in dollars and support.

The initiative will enable the HCDC to set up Internet sites in Haliburton and Minden for a year and in Wilberforce, Gooderham, Carnarvon and West Guilford for six months.

People who want to learn how to use the 'net will be able to go to the sites and receive 30 hours of hands-on instruction. In return, they are asked to volunteer their time to staff the sites and help others learn the ropes.

The first Internet site will likely be up and running at Sir Sandford Fleming College in about a month.

The other sites will be operational shortly afterward, once their locations have been finalized.

Local businesses have been very supportive of the program, coming forward with computers, equipment and assistance, said HCDC manager Andy Campbell.

Ottawa aims to help 1,500 communities set up Internet sites by next year. It approved CAP funding for 429 applicants this year and 380 in 1996.

Anyone interested in receiving Internet training can call Andy Campbell at 457-3555 or Susan Little of Sir Sandford Fleming College at 457-5117.

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Chester to take PCs into next federal election

by **TED MCFADDEN**
Special to The Echo

The Victoria-Haliburton Progressive Conservative supporters have spoken.

Lorne Chester is the man they want to lead them into the 21st century. Chester earned the honour with a first ballot win over James Blair and Jim McMahon at the PC nomination meeting, Saturday. Mr. Chester picked up 344 votes, compared to Mr. Blair's second place total of 181. McMahon finished up with 53.

The election result means a rematch between Chester and Liberal MP John O'Reilly. The two waged a close battle in the last federal election, but Mr. O'Reilly rode the wave of Liberal support all the way to Ottawa.

The chance to turn the tables on the current MP, has Mr. Chester looking forward to what will surely be another close race.

"It's the beginning of the end for John O'Reilly and the Liberals," Mr. Chester said confidently. "We've endured too

many years of unkept promises."

Mr. Chester has made it clear there are three areas he'll focus on. Jobs are most important, but not just any jobs.

"People deserve long-term, meaningful jobs," he said. "Over 16 percent of the youth in this riding are unemployed."

He also wants to take major steps to make the country safer, starting with sweeping changes to the Young Offender's Act. The first step would reduce the minimum age to 10 and make parents more responsible for the actions of the child. He'd also like to see the abolishment of the faint hope clause and the transfers of young offenders to adult courts made easier.

Finally, he has made the pledge to listen to all his constituents.

"No one person has all the answers," he said.

Now that the first step of the journey is over, Mr. Chester has moved his sights to the federal election. He, like everyone else in the country, hears the Liberals are still well ahead in the polls, but knows nothing is certain.

"I've been in politics long enough to know changes can happen overnight."

Mr. McMahon and Mr. Blair have both indicated the public has not seen the last of them. Both intend to remain in the political spotlight.

Mr. McMahon said his late start to the nomination race, combined with a lengthy sickness which sidelined him, had a negative impact on the outcome.

Still, he's able to take one thing from the outcome.

"I was an unknown commodity (coming in)," he said. "Now people know who Jim McMahon is. As far as winning goes, I've won that part. People know who I am."

Mr. McMahon made no secret he wanted the PC position and felt confident he could run a good campaign against John O'Reilly, but not it's time to throw his support Chester's way.

"What we have to do now is rebuild the PC federal party."

For Mr. Blair, the experience gained from his first crack at an election should prove invaluable in the future.

Funding increase good news for Community Living

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

Many local families should benefit from province's commitment to spend an additional \$15-million on services for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

"It's an absolutely wonderful re-investment in the system because we've been cut back so much over the past couple of years," says Cheryl Curry, executive director of the Haliburton

County Association for Community Living.

Curry said it's too early to tell how much of the money will be directed the association's way. "We're still trying to see how we can access the funding."

The Ministry of Community and Social Services announced spending would increase to \$665-million from \$650-million.

A \$6-million share of the added funds will be for adults with disabilities who live at home with aging parents, which

Curry says will be particularly helpful in the Highlands.

Some of the money will also be used to develop integrated day activities for young adults who are leaving school.

Another \$5-million will go to the Special Services at Home program to help families care for children with physical or developmental disabilities.

The remaining \$4-million will go toward services for infants and very young children with developmental delays.



Brothers Tim and Ron Pettit, top, tend to their lines in Gooderham's ice fishing derby Saturday as Les Spangler soaks up the sun while waiting patiently for a nibble. Tim came in second in the youth portion of the contest and brother Ron was third. Ashley Sharpe was first. In the adults' derby, Ron Winder was first, Daryl Winder was second and George Slade was third. Terence Sheridan won the snowmobile run, followed by Joe Sheridan.



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Benchmarks set goals for municipal spending on services

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Bicroft) on general government operations. If each municipality were able to keep their general government costs down to a benchmark of \$116 per household, they could save \$200,000 between them, said Barber.

But how does a municipality that spends \$450 or \$300 per household on its general government operations slash its costs so drastically without also lowering the level of service?

Barber told the politicians they would have to study how the most efficient municipalities are able to perform different functions at lower costs and apply those practices across the board.

"Each of the 10 municipalities has a benchmark for at least one program or service," he said. "Sharing how you were able to achieve that with the others will help everyone."

Because all municipalities spend more money on road maintenance than they do anywhere else, that's where Barber directed them to look for the greatest savings.

He suggested municipalities could save more than \$200,000 a year on snow plowing alone.

According to the report, municipalities spend between a low of \$360 per kilometre and a high of \$1,500 per kilometre to clear snow from their roads. If municipal roads departments could stick to a benchmark of \$450 per kilometre, they would

save at least \$200,000, said Barber.

He also recommended that:

- the county transfer all road maintenance to the municipalities for a potential savings of more than \$600,000 per year;
- the county consider giving up road engineering and construction in favour of contracting the work out to private companies;
- municipalities set a benchmark of \$18 per household for building and bylaw department expenditures to realize up to \$60,000 in savings;
- Dysart council either reduce its size to five members or reduce its compensation to the equivalent of five councillors;
- municipalities acquire the necessary computer technology to form a network where they can share administrative functions;
- municipalities consider sharing planning services.

Barber acknowledged the province may look on his report unfavourably since it takes a stance against restructuring.

But he said the potential savings the municipalities can realize through co-operation and cutting costs justify maintaining the two-tier system.

However, as a gesture to show the province it's serious about addressing "over-government," Barber recommends that county council reduce its numbers by removing deputy-reeves from the table.

"If this step is not taken, the province



BLUEPRINT FOR THE FUTURE? Consultant Dave Barber hands out copies of his report to Glamorgan representatives at last week's meeting at the Haliburton Legion.

may decide to reduce the number of elected officials by eliminating some municipalities," he warns in his report. "That would be a stiff price to pay for failing to take timely action."

While Barber doesn't advocate restructuring, County Warden Murray Fearrey said there is nothing stopping municipalities that want to merge from examining the issue further.

"I keep hearing from people that they're not satisfied with how the report looked into amalgamation," he said. "Some think that because it doesn't recommend it, that it shouldn't happen. That's not the case at all. That option is still open to any municipality that wants to discuss it."

Over the next month councillors and municipal staff from each municipality have been asked to submit any questions or concerns they have regarding the

report to Barber for his consideration before he prints a final draft.

At last week's meeting questions were raised about the report's accuracy on the costs of maintaining the county's roads.

Once the final report comes out, politicians will have to decide to which of its recommendations, if any, to adopt.

"County council is going to have some real decisions to make," said Fearrey. "They wanted this report because they couldn't do it themselves. Now are they going to do something with it, or are they going to throw it in the garbage?"

If there's no action taken, Fearrey said he "wouldn't be surprised if someone doesn't call the commissioner in."

Under the Municipal Savings Act, any municipality that believes all other options have been exhausted can request a provincial commissioner to impose its own restructuring plan on an area.

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Report suggests eliminating county roads dep't

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

The county would hand over all maintenance duties for its roads to municipalities, under a cost-cutting plan councillors will be considering.

In the municipal spending study he conducted for the county, consultant David Barber says the roads transfer could save county taxpayers close to \$800,000 a year.

He also recommends that the county look at the pros and cons of giving up road engineering and construction in favour of contracting the work out privately.

The two moves taken together would essentially dismantle the county's roads department.

Barber said municipalities have shown they can maintain roads for far less than the county.

While the county has higher maintenance standards than the municipalities which drive up costs, it also has higher supervisory expenses and a stricter work schedules because its employees are unionized.

Currently, municipalities provide full or partial winter maintenance on about 80 kilometres of county roads.

If municipalities took over winter maintenance on the remaining 200 kilometres of county roads, Barber said plow-

ing costs alone would drop to \$550 per kilometre, saving taxpayers about \$190,000.

And while he didn't explain how, Barber said transferring all road maintenance responsibilities from the county to the municipalities would add up to \$600,000 in savings.

A further cost reduction of about \$190,000 could be realized if municipalities take on the winter maintenance of 96 kilometres of provincial highways that are to be handed down to the county on March 1, he estimated.

"We're talking about some significant money here," Barber told councillors last week. "This concept that we're suggesting has been tried and tried successfully in other jurisdictions ... We're not talking about Haliburton being pioneers in this sense."

But the county's engineer and acting administrator, Les Shepherd, disputes the accuracy of Barber's figures concerning how much the county spends on winter road maintenance.

He's worried the consultant may have

used flawed numbers in his formula to come up with a target spending figure that is unrealistically low to provide an adequate level of service.

Barber suggested municipalities could plow the county's roads for \$550 per kilometre. However, he didn't detail estimated costs for winter sanding and salting.

"Benchmarks are a great idea, but the benchmark you set has to be realistic," said Shepherd. "... The cost of maintaining every road is different. To try to have

one benchmark for every road, from one that may have three cars on it a day, right up to one that has 1,200 cars on it a day, I just don't think that's realistic."

Shepherd said it may be more reasonable to have different benchmarks for different types of roads. But that will be up to county councillors to decide.

"I just hope people look at these numbers very closely to see whether they think they can operate at that level," he said.

Shepherd has put all of his concerns in a letter to Barber for

his consideration when he assembles a final report in about a month.

Barber's recommendations to transfer responsibility for road maintenance and contract out road construction will be among the main issues from the report county council will examine, said Warden Murray Fearrey.

While councillors likely wouldn't act on the recommendations in their entirety, they have to work to reduce the duplication of services, he said.

Father and two children hurt in snowmobile accident near Kennisis

A man and two of his children were sent to Haliburton Hospital with injuries following a snowmobile accident Saturday morning.

The father, his son and his daughter were travelling along a trail between Kennisis Lake and Red Pine Lake about 11:30 a.m. when their three machines were involved in a collision.

One of the males sustained an apparent leg fracture and the other suffered a cut to his leg, said Dysart Fire chief Miles Maughan. He was uncertain of the extent of the third rider's injuries.

Volunteer firefighters helped ambulance personnel retrieve the accident victims and prepare them for transport to the hospital.

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Students not shy when it comes to curiosity about friend's cancer

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

When most adults meet someone who has a potentially fatal disease, they tend to talk about everything except what's on their mind — are you okay or are you going to die?

For better or worse, kids don't feel constricted by fears and give their curiosity free reign. They want an answer, they ask the question.

On Friday, 13-year-old Lisa Mitchell gave her speech in front of her Grade 8 class at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. Her topic was brain cancer — her brain cancer. Although most speeches end with a thank you, she took the opportunity to ask her fellow young teens if they had any questions.

Her are some of the questions, and Lisa's answers.

Is the radiation painful? No, you just have to lie still.

What would happen if they mis-aimed the laser? There are

three people to triple check the laser's in the right position and they put tattooed markings on her back to make sure they had her in the right position each time.

What's that plastic thing on the desk? It's the mold they made of her head so it would stay still during radiation.

How did they make it? They put Saran Wrap all over her head and then made a plaster mold.

Did you think it could happen to you? "No, I didn't, but it could happen to anybody so why not me?"

What's a tumour? It's a growth of cells. Sometimes it's benign but sometimes, like the one that was on the lower back of her brain, they are malignant.

How big was it? Three centimetres. Her sister Dawn, who's there with the rest of the family and some friends, says "We have it at home in the fridge... Just joking."

Will your hair grow back?



Lisa Mitchell, right, helps her class see the funny side of life with cancer

Yes.

Were you scared when you found out? "No, I didn't believe them." (Everyone laughs.)

What were the symptoms? Because the tumour was on the part of her brain that controls balance and sight, Lisa often was dizzy and sick to her stomach. She had double vision, lots of headaches, and sometimes looked like she was drunk when she walked.

How do you stay so happy? "I

don't know. Why?"

Where do you get your nails done? At home. (Her father John and Dawn joke that Lisa's nails stay long because they're doing her kitchen duties.)

When can you come back to school? When the chemotherapy treatments are over. She has four left and they make her weak.

What was the worst part? "I guess finding out."

If you could change something about the treatments, what would you change? "That the kids with leukemia don't have to have spinal taps every day." (They hurt, but as Lisa says in her speech, when she had hers done, she was on so much morphine from the surgery that she couldn't feel it.)

Will you write something on the blackboard to show how it's hard for you to use your right hand. (The tumour was on the right side of the medulla and at first, after the surgery she couldn't touch her nose with her right hand. The hand kept going everywhere but her nose.) The person who asks this question is Lisa's younger sister, Lindsay. Lisa turns to the board and mutters "I hate sisters."

What are the chances the tumour will come back? "I have a 70% chance of recovering fully so I don't think the tumour will come back."

What have you learned the most from this? "To trust myself and to trust my family."

As teacher Roy Scott said as he thanked Lisa for her presentation, "I think we could take a lot of lessons from Lisa."

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School boards might challenge constitutionality of education changes

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton school trustees are ready to back a possible Supreme Court battle brewing over the province's plan to change the way education is funded.

Education Minister John Snobelen announced last month that Queen's Park wants to remove the costs of education from property tax, beginning January 1, 1998.

Under the plan, the provincial government will fund education in return for municipalities taking on the costs of services such as welfare, policing and long-term healthcare.

But a growing number of education officials, including members of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), say the reforms take away the constitutional right of citizens to tell the government where to spend their tax dollars.

Currently, property owners can dictate whether they want the education portion of their taxes directed to the public or separate school systems.

However, they will lose that power once the province takes education funding off the prop-

erty tax bill.

At a recent OPSBA conference, many of the board members indicated they want to challenge the finance reforms, arguing the provincial government has "acted inappropriately and gone beyond its mandate," said board director Brad Saunders.

He said five constitutional lawyers working for the Metro Toronto school board told OPSBA it has a solid basis for a constitutional challenge at the Supreme Court of Canada.

Ultimately, the battle boils down to a power struggle.

"If the provincial government has control over the dollars, then who's got control over education?" Saunders asked trustees at a recent board meeting. "Previously the constitution gave power to control education to the public. That's what the fight's over — the right to control education."

In the event that OPSBA formally challenges the province, Haliburton trustees voted in favour of financially supporting the association's court costs to a maximum of one dollar per student in the system. That would add up to between \$2,300 and \$2,500.

Muskoka balks at arranged marriage with Haliburton and Victoria, but no suitor found

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

After first testing the waters for another relationship, Muskoka's school board has resigned itself to an arranged marriage with the boards of Haliburton and Victoria Counties.

Surprised by the amalgamation partners the province had selected for it, Muskoka approached its northern neighbours about joining their district board.

But at least one of the northern boards didn't want to make the new school system larger, putting an apparent halt to Muskoka's efforts to get out of the union with Haliburton and Victoria.

"Personally, I believe that since one of the boards isn't interested, it's not worth pursuing," said Muskoka's board chairwoman, Karen Ellis. "You'd have to have all of the boards on side. If you don't, my attitude is then there's no point continuing on with it."

Ellis said Muskoka trustees have "nothing against" the boards in Haliburton and Victoria. However, the board

and the region have traditionally held greater ties to the north.

Previously a provincial task force had recommended that Muskoka amalgamate with the boards of East Parry Sound, West Parry Sound and Nipissing.

The current plan leaves Muskoka out of that equation and adds it in with Haliburton and Victoria.

As a first step before trying to get the province to change its plan, Ellis said Muskoka approached the boards in Nipissing and East and West Parry Sound to see whether they'd agree to Muskoka merging with them.

But East Parry Sound opposed the proposal because it felt a four-board amalgamation was too large. Instead, it favoured a new district board configuration, including itself, West Parry Sound and Muskoka.

However, Ellis doubts the Ministry of Education would entertain any proposal that raises the number of boards from the 66 it wants to see in power next January.

"I just don't feel there's any point in pursuing that option because you'd be creating

another board, which the province is not going to go for."

Last week the board chairs of Haliburton, Victoria and Muskoka were to hold their first meeting to begin discussing the details of bringing their school systems together.

The senior administrators of each board have already met once and set up a committee structure to handle the transition.

The education superintendents of each board will sit on a sub-committee dealing specifically with program issues.

Another sub-committee, made up of the business superintendents, will look at issues dealing with finance, buildings and transportation.

The three board directors will sit on a third-sub-committee looking at governance and human resources issues.

Each of the sub-committees will report to a steering committee, including the directors and chairs of the three boards.

Haliburton trustees passed a motion at their last meeting, petitioning the provincial government for funding to help cover the added costs of making the transition to a district board.

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Editorial

Getting ready for the tidal wave

AS CHILDREN, WE'RE TOLD THE STORY about the little Dutch boy who becomes a hero by sticking his finger in the dike, thus preventing the ocean waters from washing out his village. It's a parable to remind us that one small act by one small person can make the world of difference.

As adults, we sometimes wish we could go back to the days of our childhood to recapture our faith in the power of simple actions. Life seems much more complex than it used to be, and we yearn for someone to tell us that all we have to do is stand there with our finger in the dike and all will be well.

Today, think of all the provincial changes as the ocean, and the dike being the boundary line which separates Haliburton County from the rest of the world. The person saving us from the tidal wave, standing there patiently with his finger in the hole, is Dave Barber, who after spending a few weeks going over the books of local municipalities, says county taxpayers can save \$1.25-million. He doesn't see that farther down the dike, the province is about to discharge a bundle of dynamite.

At first, Barber's findings seem quite impressive and you read the report searching for a step-by-step way to achieve his projected savings. What you find instead are "benchmarks" or the lowest common denominator of costs per service. He finds which municipality provides a service at the lowest per capita cost, which is highest, and then suggests that everyone sets a target for some figure in the middle. The logic is that the municipality with the lowest cost per resident is also the most efficient.

He also suggests getting rid of the county roads department and having municipalities, which in the majority do not have unionized workers, do the work. Granted, costs would be reduced because the non-unionized wages would be lower. But it would mean that a municipality with a small population but a lot of county roadways would be expected to pick up an equal share with a municipality with a large population and the lucky chance of not having many county roads run within its borders.

For people who believe all government is bad government, the report looks good on paper, but reality is a bit more complex. The report pays no attention to population densities, which vary widely. It assumes all municipalities are equal, as far as an ability to pay goes. It assumes some municipalities are providing too many services, others not enough. It assumes the people who offer these services will be so grateful for his insights that they will immediately change the way they do business. It assumes, assumes, assumes.

Even if Barber's suggestions were implemented – and given that the report does not take human reactions into account, it is highly unlikely the suggestions will get much further than the discussion table – how does a savings of \$1.25-million save the county from the loss of \$4-million in provincial funding that's expected next year? Or from the shift in responsibilities now that education is being taken off property taxes, a shift no one but the province believes will result in property tax savings? How is getting rid of one councillor in Dysart and seven deputy reeves on county council going to do the trick?

But Barber is not to blame. He did exactly what was he asked to do, and his study's conclusions – amalgamations are not necessary because municipalities can share services – are the conclusions he was asked to give. The report sums up the political mood of most local councillors, who believe we just need to do a little housekeeping to prepare for the future. Just as a "study" on the costs of shifting to one-tier government accurately reflected a political dislike of such a move, his report will give many councils the good feelings they'll need to carry on exactly as they have been.

Retaining the status quo just cost the county an extra \$15,000. M.P.



Kawartha Nordic competitors at Moose Woods

by Len Pizzev

Letters to the Editor

OSSTF fears province will drop classroom spending

To the Editor:

On Feb. 3, the Minister of Education, was asked the following question by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation: "What will your government fund as necessary classroom expenditures and how much will you guarantee to invest in Ontario's classrooms?"

We are concerned about this issue because, although the Conservatives promised during the election campaign that education cuts would not affect the classroom, John Snobelen repeatedly refers to another \$1-billion that can be cut from education. He also has indicated he does not consider such factors as librarians and library materials, heat, electricity, guidance counsellors, custodians, principals and vice-principals, secretaries, teacher preparation time and other professional support services to be part of, and necessary for effective classrooms.

If these factors are not included in our "direct classroom expenses" and the funding is handled according to this new definition, then the classroom of the future will not be delivering the same quality of education.

We would like some assurances from the government that all these necessary classroom expenses will be funded in the

future at the same level that they currently are or higher.

Thus far, Mr. Snobelen has not replied to our question. We urge concerned citizens to raise this issue with the government.

Trudy Hawthorne,
Vice-President
OSSTF, Haliburton Division

Thanks for a job well done

To the Editor:

Too often too many of us are negligent in offering congratulations or thanks to people who have done a good or even an excellent job. It is far easier for us to dwell on the negatives and complain and gripe.

I am writing to publicly congratulate and thank the hard-working crews who have kept our roads and walkways so clear during this snowy winter. Our municipal workers have done yeoman service for us. My wife, Joan, and I would like to say a big 'Thank you' and congratulations for a job well done.

Gerald Irish,
Haliburton

Some advice for Valentine's Day

To All Husbands on Valentine's Day!

What are you doing on this special day of the year

To show your wife you love her and bring her some cheer?

Are you giving her some flowers and a box of candy too?

To tell of your devotion, and you're glad that she loves you.

To Wives on Valentine's Day!

And what are you doing for your hard-working man,

Did you make him a breakfast of eggs and ham?

Did you kiss him good-bye with a tear in your eye?

And welcome him back with a steak and lemon pie.

To All Kids Out There!

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by EV STATA
Haliburton

Rotary busy planning events

by RAY SELBIE,
Haliburton Rotary Club President

Now that the Christmas season has passed and we are fully into the new year, I felt it important to share the current Rotary news with our community.

Thanks to the generosity of Keith and Donna Stephenson (former owners of Haliburton Golf Course), over \$8,000 worth of new golf equipment was donated to the Women's Auxiliary at the Haliburton Hospital. Rotary was privileged to liquidate the equipment for the Auxiliary and approximately one-half of the equipment was auctioned at the annual Haliburton Rotary Auction in November. The other half will be liquidated in the spring in order to maximize the proceeds available to our hospital. Rotarian Art Ward worked diligently and with great skill as auctioneer. Rotary and the Haliburton community is greatly indebted to both Art Ward and the Stephensons for this valuable contribution of equipment and time in order to bring further funds to our hospital's needs.

Rotary was saddened by the loss of fellow Rotarian Harold Herlihey on the 8th of November, 1996. Harold was a past District Governor for the district in which Haliburton exists as well as a Past President of the Haliburton Rotary (1950-1951). Over the years, Harold greatly contributed to both Rotary and his community of Wilberforce. He will be sadly missed by all.

This year's Snowarama for Easter Seals proved to be the best ever with a welcomed increase in riders and donations.

A special vote of appreciation to the Rotarians and their families and all those who rode and donated. The total pledge of \$20,000 will go far in meeting our Haliburton Rotary commitment to children with disabilities.



We are pleased that two new Rotarians have joined the club. Jim Churko (owner of Churko Furniture) and Andy Glecoff (owner of Stedmans) are indeed active and enthusiastic community businessmen. We welcome these new members and know their contribution to Rotary will be positive. Each time a new man or woman joins the Rotary

Club, there is renewed enthusiasm amongst all the club which is exciting and also fills me with pride in belonging to a growing and living organization.

Women on Snow is this month and this is the third and last year that they will be present in our community. Women on Snow has dedicated half of the proceeds of their ride to the Haliburton Rotary Club during the past two years to the benefit of both Rotary and our community needs.

We, at Rotary, express grateful appreciation for the contributions of Women on Snow, both past and present to our Easter Seals efforts for children. We have been somewhat spoiled by their generous donations to our efforts and their kindness will not be forgotten.

I would remind everyone that the Rotary Club car draw will again take place at the Summer Carnival this August. In an effort to hopefully increase sales, the tickets are on sale now and will be available up to the time of the draw at the August Summer Carnival. We have been able to keep the price at \$10 (which it has been for many years). The annual draw is the prime source of contributions to the Rotary trust account. This allows us to continue our avenue of service both in the community and on the international level. Please get your tickets early by approaching any Rotarian. Advance draws can only be won by early purchase of your ticket. This year's Carnival Chairperson is Amin Shivji, who is working diligently to assure the best carnival ever.

I am very pleased that Rotarian Linda Shadboldt is actively involved as our Rotary representative with other community initiatives in order to be a partner in a major effort for youth. It will be innovative as well as beneficial and we will have more information available in the near future.

The Haliburton Rotary has been proud to sponsor outgoing exchange students over the years which is part of our initiative towards youth.

Any student who has participated in this program is aware of the value as well as the educational experience brought about by living in a different country and different culture.

This year's Rotary exchange student is Jamie Ogle who left in September of 1996 and we have recently been able to approve the outgoing exchange student for September of 1997 being Freya Lilius.

We wish both these young ladies congratulations and hope that they will have a rewarding and safe exchange; we know that both of them are excellent representatives of Rotary and the Haliburton community.



Pic of the Past

The students at Kinmount school gathered together for this picture in 1938 or thereabouts. From left are Melville Schultz (half hidden), Betty Hopkins, Jack Wellstood, Helen Graham (Byne), John O'Toole, Doris Chalmers (Barkwell), Joyce Boldt, Bernice Woodcock, Bernice Gardiner (Owens), Joy Knettle (Stange), Betty Chalmers (Scott), Patsie DeFinney, Ruth McKinley, Marie Faulkner,

Juanita Woodcock (Aldred), Mary Austin, Peggy Cummings, Ivy Graham (Handley), and Josephine Clark. They're standing in front of the school, which burned down, and across the street from Oliver Barr's home, which also burned. It's now a vacant lot on Hwy. 503. Our thanks to Helen Byne of Kinmount for sharing the photo and information.

The 9 circles of mid-life crisis

Science tells us that most pre-historic folks died before their 50th birthday, which was maybe not such a bad thing. The benign influence of centuries of civilization has managed to push back the inevitable, however, so that nowadays many of us just wish we were dead by that age.

This is called a mid-life crisis. The poet Dante Alighieri had a dilly of one some seven hundred years ago. "Midway on our life's journey, I found myself in dark woods, the right road lost....Death is hardly more bitter". He soon found himself struggling through the nine circles of hell, which he wrote about at length in rhyming triplets. The Roman poet Virgil was his guide, an appropriate choice no doubt, as my personal vision of hell has always been trying to struggle through Virgil under the baleful gaze of Mr. Wheldrick, my Grade 13 Latin teacher.

A mid life crisis occurs when one's chosen path begins to take on all the appearances of a dead end. As the starry eyed goals of our youth become increasingly unattainable, we begin to check out the alternatives. It started for me a few years ago, at a high school reunion, when the realization hit me that not just a few



PERSPECTIVES

Lon Duncombe

of my old friends had achieved grandparenthood. The flower power, counter culture idols of yesteryear had either retreated to the fringes of society or joined the detested establishment. Conversations among friends were starting to veer off unexpectedly into the shadowy world of lens prescriptions and hearing aid batteries. Gord Lightfoot was now being catalogued alongside Guy Lombardo in the Golden Years section of the local music store.

Mid-lifers begin to learn through painful experience about all those hitherto mysterious body parts. Gall bladders, previously considered only in connection with Chinese aphrodisiac shops, begin to make their gritty presence known. The word prostate is no longer mistaken as a synonym for supine. The gradual decline in our natural faculties becomes a constant reminder that our body now has its own agenda, one that may not coincide with ours.

Mid-lifers have a limited selection of coping mechanisms

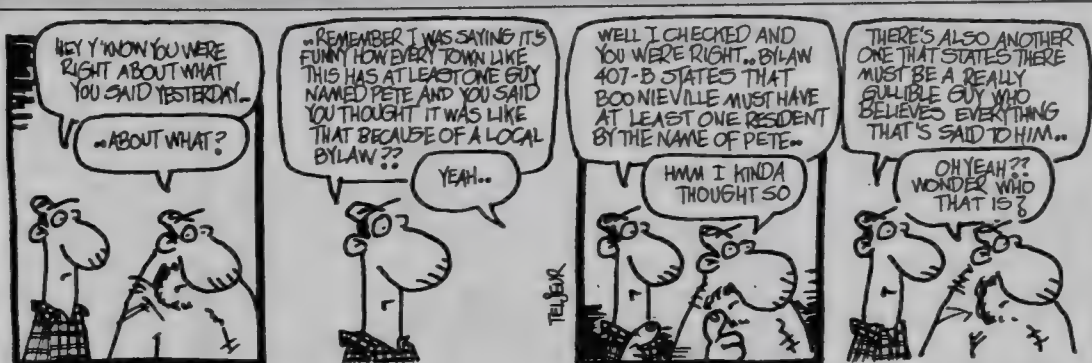
at their disposal. A popular option is to gallop off to do all those things you've always wanted to do, preferably simultaneously, before age, sickness or poverty heads you off at the pass. A temptation, for men at least, is to dump their wives, dye their hair, buy their convertibles, and drive around town flaunting their silk shirts and gold chains, a parade of pathetic, over-ripe Elvis wannabes in denial.

The best strategy for peace of mind is no doubt to realize that aging is a natural part of life, a stage we all must go through etc. etc. Without some vision of our purpose in the grand scheme of things, however, this gives us little comfort. Death may well be nature's way of telling us to slow down, as one wag put it, but we're just as dead in the end. Chicken soup may be good for you, but not if you're the chicken.

Oh, by the way, Dante was not consigned to the infernal depths for all eternity. After many harrowing adventures and a long hard uphill climb, he and his poet buddy "saw appear through a round aperture some of the beautiful things that Heaven bears, where we came forth, and once more saw the stars".

Boonieville

by Charlie Teljeur



Politicians should put their problems on ice

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Ken Riley

Now that all your favourite sitcoms are into the rerun mode, it's good to see that classic comedy has returned to TV. That's right, after a two-month Christmas vacation, the House of Commons in Ottawa is back in session. The clowns and fools put on a daily show guaranteed to put a smile on the face of every Canadian.

Conspicuous by his absence was head jester Jean Chrétien. He's resting up in his country get-away, tired out after touring Asia for the last two months. He's probably smart to stay away because, like Lucy, he has some 'splaning to do' about his GST flip flop and the Canadian military, the Keystone Cops of peace keepers.

Not to worry though, the rest of the Punchinellos are doing a fine job calling each other names and making fun of their mother's footware. A reformer after being called a racist did a fine Curley Howard impersonation, even saying whoo, whoo, whoo, nuk, nuk,

nuk! There must be a better way for these legislators to solve their differences. Might I suggest hockey. The Conservatives and NDP could be the refs, the Liberals, Reform and Blockhead Quebecois could have a three-way tourney to decide the fate of the country. This may not be a perfect solution but it would get them up off their butts for awhile!

Meanwhile back in W.O.H.L. land it was Bancroft Canadian Tire taking on the Haliburton Hawks. This was not a good night for the Tiremen who spun their wheels while being lambasted 11 - 1 by the soaring Hawks. Leading the way for the Hawks was Glen Sharpley with four, Dan Ambridge had the 'trick', Steve Roberts got two and singles went to Bob Woodcock and Barry Shaw. Canadian Tire's Joe Bertoni was the only one to solve Larry Hartin.

In game two Apsley met the Clarkson Plumbers. This was a low scoring affair that, at times, resembled Aussie rules football. After a scoreless first, the Plumbers' Tim Chambers and Joe Roberts, found net. The 'Chuckies' got two more in the

third from Tony DeCarlo and Chambers with his second. Late in the third Apsley's Lee Donaldson broke the goose egg to end it - Plumbers 4, Apsley 1. Sorry for the jinx Kev!

In game three it was the battle of the 'W's' as Whitney faced Wilberforce. The Ponders

jumped ahead in the first and never looked back downing Whitney 11 - 5. Placing pucks for the Ponders was Jim Alden with three, Roland Pelletier and Dave Swan had two each, singles went to Tony DeCarlo, Bev Billings, Perry Best and Al Finni. For Whitney it was Ron Darraugh,

Peter Palbiski, Joe Green, Tom (goaltender, sniper) Brooke and Gary Ridout.

Due to a scheduling glitch all teams meet each other again for back-to-back action, so get down to Wilberforce and check it out. It's more fun than a barrel of politicians!

Husky Mites net two wins, tie

by COACH GRIFF

The Haliburton Husky Mites had a very successful weekend with two wins and a tie as they continue to dominate the Tri-County League. On Friday evening they travelled to Bancroft to play a very large (even the two-and-a-half-year-old looked big) Mite team. A very close game ended in a two all tie with Scott Griffith and Daniel Sisson scoring for the Huskies.

Saturday was the return game with Bracebridge and the Haliburton boys were eager to show their magic after tying the Bears last weekend. With fantastic passing and team play (and only seven players), the Huskies overpowered the home team by a score of 10 to 3. Stopped by great goaltending in the first game against the Bears, Daniel Sisson found the moves

to score seven of the Huskies' 10 goals.

Sunday on home ice the Huskie Mites hosted a team from Ops. In this game all the Huskies excelled as the Ops team went down 10 to 1. Game stars were Cole Scheffee with his first career goal, birthday

boy Carson Metcalfe with two, David Markowski with a hat trick, Luke Watson with three assists, and the "Breakaway Kid" Bronson Cook. Many thanks to Coach Mick and Mighty Mites Fan Club.

Lester brothers win golds at snowcross competition

The Lester brothers of Minden didn't leave much room for the competition at the Pioneer Magnum 93 Pro Cup Snowcross in Sudbury on Feb. 1 and 2.

Thirteen-year-old Luke and 15-year-old Andrew won eight firsts between them - and not just in the youth categories.

Another Minden competitor, Steven Stewart on a Skidoo, came third in the Pro 440 cc Stock Event.

Luke came first in the SuperSport 600 cc Stock; Junior (14-17) 500 cc; Super Sport 500 Stock; Super Sport 600 Stock; SuperSport Open; and Junior (14-17) 500cc. He was riding a Polaris.

Andrew came first in the Junior (10-13) 340 cc; and the Junior (10-13) 340 cc. He was riding a SkiDoo.

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THEY'RE OFF! Stephanie Ratz takes off from the start line Wednesday at Moose Woods Trail Centre during a nordic ski competition. She went on to claim third place for junior girls. Behind Ratz, Ainsley Heyes, who won the senior girls' competition, waits for her race.

HHSS powers to podium at nordic ski meet

by BLAKE PATON

February is a great month for skiing, and the snow these past weeks has been excellent. For many, this month brings the most important races of the ski season, and there has been a wealth of competition lately involving local skiers.

For starters, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School ski team brought home the hardware at Moose Woods Trail Centre on Wednesday, February 5. The team was propelled by the Heyes Sisters, Kelly and Ainsley, both of whom won their age divisions. Eye witnesses also were impressed by Ainsley's "face plant of exhaustion" across the finish line.

The entire team showed up for the race, as shown by the following top five results:

Midget Girls: Kelly Heyes, first; Katherine Hagerman, second; Laurie Turner, third; Reagan Brown, fourth.

Midget Boys: Daniel Morgan, second.

Junior Girls: Stephanie Ratz, third.

Junior Boys: Ryan O'Neil, fourth.

Senior Girls: Ainsley Heyes, first.

Senior Boys: Matt Heffer, fifth.

February is a great time to attend a loppet (a mass start race), and several Haliburton Ski Club members attended the Algonquin Loppet in Whitney on the first and second of the month. Marcel Crete won his age division in the 26 km. free-

style event. But the focus of the loppet is less the result than, the participation in the event.

If you're thinking of trying a race, then circle the following dates: February 15 and March 2. The February loppet is at Silent Lake Provincial Park, and the March event is at Moose Woods Trail Centre. Contact either host for complete details and remember that very few people regret the decision to participate in these friendly events. Simply set a personal target and try to meet it: that is the essence of friendly competition.

If a race is too much, then why not ski for a good cause? Ski For Heart is an event which benefits the Heart and Stroke Foundation, and it takes place on the 15th of February. Call Curtis at 457-4047 for more details on this fine, friendly event.

The mid-week touring group slid over to Camp Wanakita on Tuesday the fourth, with nine skiers in attendance. This serves as a reminder to club members that your pass is valid on Wanakita trails, so don't miss out on this trail system as you ski this winter.

Whatever you do, please, please, please get your quote of skiing in by the end of the month. The groundhog forecasts a short winter, and one never knows what March may bring. There is nothing sadder than the skier who meant to get out more in February watching March rainstorms melt the snow. In the meantime, glide through life and pretend that winter will never end.

Rockets misfire, then blast off

by SUE CLARKSON

The Atom Rockets travelled to Fenelon Falls to take on the Flyers in what turned out to be a high scoring game. The lead changed between these two twice before the start of the third when, with the score tied at three apiece, the Rockets went ahead once more in this excellent match. Five more goals were tallied in the final seven-and-a-half minutes of the game but only one was netted by a Rocket. Score: Flyers 7, Rockets 5. An excellent game with a few unfortunate breaks or else it would have been the Rockets' match. Daniel Vanier tallied two assists, Mitchell

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Clarkson netted two markers, Darren Mantifel, Brandon Logan and Matt Reil scored one apiece and an assist went to Terry Bannon.

The following afternoon the Rockets hosted Beaverton. Having lost a few close matches lately the Rockets were out for a win. As the game progressed the boys' passing got better and better. Near the end of the game there was one give-and-go session of three passes before popping in the goal. The defence work hard continually with Paul Hutchinson, Gavin

Swan, Matt R. and Terry always on the go. In three penalty-killing situations these four didn't allow one shot on goal. Goalie Matt Davidson was giving no rebounds whatsoever and made two particularly "glovely" saves. The forwards worked incredibly hard culminating in a final score of 8 - 2 in the Rockets' favour. Darren and Brandon scored two goals and assists each, Terry netted one and assisted on two, Mitchell scored two and assisted on one, Josh MacKay netted one and Daniel earned an assist. Though Andy Sayers recorded no points, he was still a vital component to this win. Awesome game boys.

Family sees how athletes put magic into Special Olympics

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

There is something truly special about the "Special Olympics", says a Highlands family who spent a few days at the events in Collingwood last week.

"Whoever invented it was really smart," says Shiloe Melle, a 17-year-old Grade 12 student at HHSS. "It was an amazing experience. It was better than the regular Olympics."

Shiloe went to the games with her family - Brenda Coty and Walt McKechnie and their children Chris and Nick Coty and Katie and Shannon McKechnie - because Walt McKechnie, a former NHL star, had been asked to make some of the medal presentations.

Brenda and Walt had been to the Games in Toronto over the

weekend, but on Tuesday night the entire family headed to Collingwood. McKechnie was helping the kids playing floor hockey and presenting awards to the downhill skiers and sled doggers.

"The games are important for these people who don't get to do things all the time. They need something special to do and feel good about themselves," says Shiloe during a lunch break on Friday. "They were all really nice people. The medal winners were all really happy and jumping around."

"Watching them get their awards, you thought you were going to cry because they were so happy they had won," says 14-year-old Katie.

Katie had thought it would be boring but it was fun to watch the events, and visit the Olympic centre where there



AMAZING TIME: Katie McKechnie and Shiloe Melle had an "amazing experience" helping out with their family at the Special Olympics last week. They think whoever invented the games was pretty smart.

were lots of video and table games.

"One of the guys who won a gold medal, he grabbed my hand and kissed it," laughs Shannon, a Grade 6 student at JDHES. "It was cool to see that

these people could do stuff just as well as other people."

Another highlight for Shiloe, who plans to become a police officer, was getting to meet Mark Hesse and John Childs, two summer Olympics gold

medallists in volleyball.

They family was supposed to stay for two days but Chris Coty couldn't resist the Olympic-size snowboarding park and broke his arm, so they returned to Eagle Lake a day early.

WILBERFORCE NOVICE ROCKETS

Rockets dig deep to come up winning

by JOHN MORIN

On January 8 the Novice Rockets travelled to Oakwood and played hard for the majority of the game but came up on the short end of a 4 - 2 decision. Goals were scored by Shane Gillick, assisted by Jonathon Belbin and Shawn Crowder, and Kanan Quibell, unassisted.

On January 12 the Rockets hosted a select team from Bancroft. This was a well played game with the team not being intimidated by the larger Bancroft team. We took a commanding 4 - 0 lead and held on for a 4 - 2 victory. Goals were scored by Kanan with a hat trick and Shawn with a single. Assists went to Steve Meharrie with a pair and singles to Shane, Jonathon and Galen Bowman.

On January 18 the boys had their toughest test yet against a Lindsay select team. The team came out hard and fast for the whole game. When things did break down the goaltending of Adam DeCarlo bailed out any miscues. With this type of complete effort the boys pulled out a very well deserved 4 - 3 victory. Goals were scored by James Thompson with a pair, singles going to Kanan and Shawn, assists to Kanan with a pair and a single to Steve.

On January 25 the Novice Rockets hosted Mariposa. This game went back and forth with no scoring in the first. Early in the second, Mariposa opened the scoring and things went downhill from there. Nothing seemed to go right for the team in this one as they fell by a score of 6 - 1. The lone Rocket goal was scored by Shane, assisted by Shawn. Tough luck boys.

High-scoring third period puts an end to gritty game

January 26, the Novice Rockets hosted the Bancroft select team. This was a spirited affair with a fair bit of body contact. The game stayed deadlocked at zero until the third period when we took the lead with an unassisted goal from Kanan Quibell. This gritty Bancroft team came right back scoring three times in a two-minute span. The Rockets made it close with a quick marker scored by Kanan, unassisted, but eventually fell by a 4 - 2 score.

Later in the afternoon the boys travelled to Haliburton to play the Huskies. The boys played fairly well defensively in this one but being short-handed and already having played a tough game earlier in the day, weren't able to muster much offence as they fell 4 - 0. Keep your heads up guys, there are brighter days ahead.

Huskies bow to Millbrook

by BRYAN BROWN

After finishing a respectable third during the regular season, the OMHA Atom Huskies found themselves in the unenviable position of drawing the first place (and unbeaten) Millbrook Bobcats in the first round of their playoffs.

In their opening game, the visiting Huskies knew that they had nothing to lose and came out flying. Then heavy forechecking and spirited play seemed to catch the heavily favoured Bobcats by surprise and after the first period the teams were tied

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at 1 - 1. Scoring for Haliburton was Adam Hutson on a set-up from Josh Brown.

In the second period, back to back powerplay goals left the Huskies trailing throughout the period and another early in the third sealed their fate. Jesse Johnson on a pass from Mat Manary closed out the Husky scoring in the third period making the final score 7 - 2.

Two nights later the Huskies returned home for the second

game of the series. Once again the Huskies showed a dedicated work ethic but were unable to capitalize on their chances. After two periods the Huskies trailed 3 - 0 in a game that could have been tied.

In the third period, however, the Bobcats stepped up the pace and put the game away with four unanswered goals.

In game three in Millbrook on February 5, the Atoms were not able to achieve a win, putting them out of playoff action. Several exhibition games are scheduled.

Wilberforce PeeWees net victory

by KATHY SHARPE

On Saturday, January 25, the Rockets played in the Woodville tournament. First game against Sunderland the boys seemed to be sleeping. Chris Alden scored the first goal of the game. Sunderland came back to tie it up. The game stood at a tie until the last minute of the second where Chris A. scored, assisted by Ben DeCarlo and Chris Peacock. In the third the Rockets netted two more goals, one by Chris A. to complete a hat trick and another by Justin Winder, assisted by Chris A. Score: Rockets 4, Sunderland 1.

The next game was against Peterborough. Peterborough scored the first goal then the Rockets came back to tie the game. The tie was sent to the net by Ben. The game was scoreless throughout until the last second of play when number 14, which we think is Chris, scored, assisted by Jeremy Huffman. Score: Rockets 2, Peterborough 1.

The Rockets were now able to enter into the championship game against Mariposa. Mariposa had

14 players and the Rockets were only a force of nine. Chris A. scored the first goal, assisted by Chris P. The second was the same as the first - the two Chris's, with some help by Mike Jones on the second assist. The third was sent to the net by Jeremy helped by Chris A. In the second Ben sent the fourth goal in backed by Jeremy. Chris A. scored the next

to make another hat trick, assisted by Mike. The sixth and final goal was also scored by Chris A., assisted by Rob Sharpe. All players were in tune, played their positions, and fought hard to win the tournament. Billy Hunter, the Rocket goalie, had a shutout. Congratulations to all players. Score: Rockets 6, Mariposa 0.

Bantam Rockets start strong, but can't hold on for the win

by SUE CLARKSON

The Lindsay Muskies and Bantam Rockets have played several times before and the games have always been entertaining but a recent match was one you'd like to forget. The game was secondary to the refereeing-despite pleas from the crowd to let the boys play. Frustration ran rampant throughout the match. Not only were Rocket players and parents upset, but so were our Muskie counterparts. Unfortunately, the Rockets came out on the losing end after a half decent show in the first. Shane Parks scored on a slap shot to tie the game in the first, followed by a beautiful setup by Sean Critch to Ian Brown who put a backhand in from the hash marks leaving the goaltender no chance. Over the next two periods Lindsay scored four unanswered markers for a final of 5 - 2 for those large fish.

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Pumped Huskies take third game of series

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by ANDREA DONALDSON

The Novice A Huskies travelled to Millbrook for game three in the best of five series. The boys were pumped and played as a team the whole game, with Chris J. being solid between the pipes. In the last two games Chris has only had one goal scored against him.

The first goal was a power play goal with Jesse winning the draw, passing it to Aaron, who passed it back to the point and Justin scoring with a wrist shot.

Millbrook tied the game but the Huskies went ahead in the

second with Jesse scoring a dandy from Calvin and Jono. Calvin scored the third goal with heads-up passing from Tim and Josh.

The fourth goal was scored in the third by Kevin, assisted by Aaron. This goal was scored short-handed, a great forechecking play. And to finish the scoring, Jesse scored the fifth goal, assisted by Matt and Aaron. Final score 5 - 1 Huskies.

The Huskies would like to thank Andrew Burk for coming out to give them a hand at practice. They would also like to invite lots of supporting fans out to cheer them on in what they hope to be the final game of this series. Game is set for Sunday at 3:00.

Rocket Minor Tykes take pair

by SANDY JOHNSON

On January 26, the Wilberforce Rockets travelled to Ops for an exhibition game. This was a tight game for both teams. Travis MacKay scored the only three goals of the game. Congratulations on your hat trick Travis!

Jessee Tallman earned two assists as well as Matthew Johnston with one. Ops had some scoring opportunities, but Wilberforce goalie Kyle Steele played solidly, resulting in a shutout. Way to go Kyle! The same goes for the whole team for a job well done. Final score: 3 - 0 Rockets.

The following Saturday, the Rockets hosted Woodville in a fast action game. Opening the scoring in the first was Travis MacKay, netting one assisted by Jessee followed by five more goals and one assist for Travis. Nice six-pack. Julian Forget scored a nice goal five seconds left in the second. Third period

Jessee Tallman scored one unassisted.

With the face-off in the Woodville end Woodville slipped one in on their net and gave the point to Wilberforce goalie Kyle Steele but that's okay, it happens to the best of

them. Andi Donaldson and Jeremy Orth also earned one assist each. Matthew Johnston and Josh Townsend also contributed to a win well earned. Way to go guys. Keep up that passing. Final score: 9 - 2 Rockets.

Husky Minor Tykes win

In what might have been the most exciting game of the season, the Minor Tyke Huskies welcomed the Woodville Minor Tykes to a Sunday morning match. Right from the opening face-off the local lads put it to Woodville in an unrelenting display of offence, only to be turned aside by the superb goaltending of the Woodville netminder. The line of David Pereko, Chase Thurston and Jesse Woodward up front and Mac Trueman and Luke Mayhew on defence, created

many opportunities but just couldn't cash in.

On the rare occasion when Woodville did get a shot on net Jesse Stoughton stood tall and kept them off the score sheet.

Finally, late in the third period, Nelson Evans dug the puck out of the corner and with Lane Schmid and Zack Pronger running interference Evans fed a pass to Robert Lowes who gave the puck to James Roberts and he made no mistake, beating the Woodville goalie like a rented mule. Huskies win 1 - 0.

Hockey Play-off Home Schedule

Tuesday, Feb 11

7 p.m. OMHA PeeWees vs. Millbrook
8:30 p.m. OMHA Midgets vs. Millbrook

Saturday, Feb. 15

10:30 a.m. Major Tykes vs. Manvers
11:30 a.m. Novice Bs vs. Wilberforce

Sunday, Feb. 16

12:30 p.m. Major Tyke vs. Manvers
3 p.m. OMHA Novice vs. Millbrook
4:30 p.m. Novice B vs. Wilberforce

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Thursday, Feb. 13 at 3:30 p.m.
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Friday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. (if necessary).

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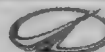
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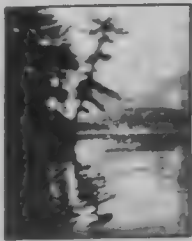
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This Valentine comes with a special heart indeed

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

WITH A LAST NAME like Valentine, it shouldn't have come as a surprise that young Jack has a really special heart.

But no one expected it to be quite this special.

As Jack oversees a battle to the death between two plastic dinosaurs at Minden CHACE Place, he looks like a typical five-year-old, especially when he tosses the losing dinosaur off the table with a prehistoric growl of victory.

Just a few minutes earlier, however, Jack had lifted up his t-shirt to reveal a scar, about 10 cm in length, just below his left collarbone. That's where surgeons at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children inserted a pacemaker and about half a metre of wiring in early January.

Thanks to the pacemaker, Jack's heart will always beat at a minimum of 70 beats per

minute, which is a much healthier rate than the 40 or so beats per minute before the operation.

If you go to Sir Sam's Ski Area this Saturday, the 15th, you can see how this five-year-old dynamo and his pacemaker get along. Jack and his brothers — 12-year-old Dan and three-year-old Conar — will be shushing down the hills to raise money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Their goal was to raise \$500 in pledges for Ski for Heart, but after telling donors about all the good things the Foundation has done for Jack, the brothers will top that.

It is hard to resist Jack's impish smile when you know a month ago he was an unhappy little boy about to face surgery.

"If it wasn't for the Heart and Stroke Foundation and their research and fundraising, pediatric pacemakers could still be in the development stage," says Jack's mother Heather. The Foundation also directs many funds to Sick Kids hospital,

making it possible for them to perform their miracles.

It does seem rather miraculous that someone so small can be fitted with a lithium battery-operated machine which day in, day out, will send electrical messages to Jack's heart to remind it to beat, beat, beat 70 times every minute. With an energy expectancy of seven years, the battery leaves the Energizer Bunny in the dust. (Jack believes a comparison with the Bionic Man would be more apt.)

What's even more amazing is that should Jack receive an external electrical shock, the Valentines have a receiver they can lay on Jack's chest and plug into the phone line. Dialing Sick Kids, the receiver relays information about the battery's rhythm, and how much time it has left. If there's a problem, the doctors in Toronto can reprogram it over the phone.

When the battery has to be replaced when Jack is about 11, "God knows how far the tech-



Now that he has a pacemaker to regulate the beat of his heart, 5-year-old Jack Valentine thinks he's the Bionic Man, sure to win any dinosaur battle, even when he's playing against his mother, Heather

nology will have gone," Mrs. Valentine says.

Jack was born with third degree congenital heart block, or in mother's language, "his problem is electrical. There's an impulse from the upper chamber of the heart to the lower chamber telling it to beat and that message wasn't getting through."

When a heart's not beating as often as it should, that means that to keep the body going, it has to expend more energy every time it does pulsate. The heart's a muscle and like all muscles, it gets bigger when it works harder. A bigger heart will press on other organs, as well as the rib cage, causing other complications. Far better for the heart to be pumping blood and oxygen through the body at a regular rate.

Heather and Scott Valentine had no idea their son had a heart problem until he was one. He fell, hit his face with a wooden spoon and they were worried about infection so they brought him to Haliburton Hospital's emergency department. It was a

Friday, and Dr. Kristi Gammon was on call.

Knowing that she had an upset little boy in front of her, Dr. Gammon was surprised to find out that his heart rate was low. The more upset you are, the faster the heart beats, but Jack's was even slower than it should be at rest.

She took an electro-cardiogram and sent it to Peterborough. On Sunday night, she phoned the Valentines at their home on Queen's Line near Minden, telling them that they would have to take Jack to Sick Kids that Wednesday.

"It caused a fair amount of stress," says Mrs. Valentine. "I was up every five minutes at night, running into his room to check on him."

What made it harder to deal with is "my friend Jack has never had a down moment in his life. He's what they call asymptomatic — he shows no symptoms. He goes full pace all the time."

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Jack asked Santa to make sure the operation didn't hurt

FROM page 17

so small, doctors wanted to put off operating for as long as possible. After regular monitoring, it was only a week before this past Christmas when Sick Kids phoned to say the time was now. Jack went in on January 6th and had the operation on the 12th.

This makes it sound rather simple. The truth of the matter was Jack was terrified. "He thought a pacemaker was like a big, ugly monster and he didn't want anything to do with it."

Tears flowed, and not just Jack's. "I tried to be good and do all my crying at night in bed," Mrs. Valentine says, but neither she nor the rest of the family could hide the stress.

In a letter to Santa Claus, Jack wrote that since Santa was in the wish granting business, Jack wished Santa would make sure the operation wouldn't hurt. Santa obviously got the letter

because during a visit to Sick Kids, Santa dropped by and had a long chat with Jack.

Santa was one of the few people Jack would talk to. Jack's theory was that if no one talked about it, the operation wouldn't happen. But after seeking the help of Joan Wilbee at Kinark Child and Family Services, the Valentines learned that keeping quiet was one of the worst things they could do.

"Joan said 'talk about it, talk about it, talk about it'... You have to really make it a family issue because the whole family is affected, not just the one child."

Staff at Sick Kids also did a lot to alleviate Jack's fears. In the week before the operation, they did a lot to prepare him psychologically for what would be a scary experience for anyone. Jack went to the hospital's Bear Theatre, and there he saw nurses wearing surgical masks and was able to try on the mask which, in

the operating room, would feed him nitrous oxide, the same laughing gas used by dentists. (This way, the child is asleep before he is poked and prodded with needles and tubes.)

"They were so indulgent and understanding," his mother says of the staff. The family was also very impressed by the "bedside manner" of the cardiologist, Dr. Menon, pacemaker specialist, Dr. Hamilton, and cardio-nurse Jean Griffith, who all did such a wonderful job in dealing with the illness and the family's fragile emotional state.

On the day of the operation, Jack was allowed to bring his teddy bear into the operating room, a little bit of bedside comfort to take the place of mom and dad, who were spending a few anxious hours of their own in the waiting room. Staff were equally as compassionate with mom and dad. When an hour and a half passed after they

expected to hear about Jack, Mrs. Valentine's

stress relieved itself in a flood of tears. Not saying a word, a volunteer quickly left the room and returned a short time later to report Jack was fine and sleeping off the anaesthesia.

That night, Mr. Valentine pulled up a cot beside Jack's bed, unzipped a sleeping bag and settled in for the evening.

But Jack surprised everyone with the easy way he handled having this hidden device in his chest. Scheduled to spend five days in hospital, he was out in three. By the Wednesday, he was back at his kindergarten class at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. The next Saturday, he was tackling the slopes at Sir Sam's, where his mom gives ski lessons. Jack might have been scared before the operation, but after it, he began to believe what his parents said about the pacemaker giving him new-found strength. The Bionic Man didn't stop for a rest, did he?

"He's so busy he doesn't have time to think about it," says his mother. "He considers himself

stronger and faster. The first thing he wanted to do was arm wrestle with his older brother."

Watching over Conar and Jack one morning at CHACE, it's with heartfelt relief that she says "I'm really glad it's over. I'd say it's harder on the parents than it is on the kid. Emotionally, I had overloaded. Dad, of course, was a rock." (That seems appropriate since he owns and operates Highland Stoneworks.)

She's also delighted with her sons' enthusiasm in raising money for Ski for Heart. If you would like to sponsor one of the boys, pledge sheets are available at The Haliburton County Echo and The Minden Times offices. The offices also have extra pledge sheets for participants.

If you'd like to get involved, you can ski for free that day if you have a minimum of \$35 in sponsors. Sir Sam's is also kicking in a free lunch. If you prefer cross country skiing, you can take part in the Ski for Heart at Glebe Park in Haliburton from 11-3 on the 15th.



Lindsay, Ontario

The Ross Memorial Hospital invites submissions from individuals interested in being elected to the Hospital's Board of Governors. Elections for appointment to the Board will take place at the Annual Meeting of the Hospital Corporation (June 1997). Criteria for appointment to the Board includes residency in Victoria County or Brock Township. Certain other By-Law requirements must be met.

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Legion honours Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary had its year end party and each member brought donations for the 4Cs. They also received \$300 from the proceeds of our Flea Market and 50/50 draws. The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary also received \$300.

During that time the branch held turkey draws and the New

Year's Eve Dance.

On February 1 the Branch held an Appreciation Dinner to honour the Ladies Auxiliary for its work and service to the branch. The waiters, very dashing in their white shirts, grey slacks and scarlet sashes, held a champagne cork popping contest before serving to the ladies and their escorts a very delicious meal of roast chicken and all that goes with it and a scrumptious dessert. Each table had one chair marked underneath which was a prize winner, (I was one of the lucky ones). Each received a beautiful clock created by Comrade Jim Stewart.

Our amiable M.C. and pianist was Comrade Ian Craig. Waters were Comrades Bruce McKay, Owen Burmania, Dick Whiting, Jim Stewart, Ethel Galvin and Ian Craig. For their dedication

LEGION BR. 129

News

Comrade Anne McKay

and to all who helped to put this evening together, President L.A. Nina Chambers thanked everyone.

January has been a sad month for we have lost five veterans since January 1: Wes Stata, Ken Teasdale, Jack Barry, Oscar Stewart and John Russell; and a long-time and devoted member of the Ladies Auxiliary, Myrtle Davies. They are in our thoughts and prayers. "We will remember them."

On February 9 the International Darts between Canada and England started against an English pub. Winner will be announced in the next column.

On February 16 Public Speaking, sponsored by Branch 129, will take place at the Legion at 1 p.m., Grades 1 to 13. The public is invited to attend and lend their support to these young people. Ethel Galvin, our representative in youth education, puts a great deal of time and effort to encourage these young contestants. Your input is important. Refreshments will be served.

Eight winners of the Literacy Poster Competitions in November moved on to zone competition.

February 20, there's the Over 50's Dinner.

February 24, the L.A. General Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

February 26 is the Jack Bassett Memorial Bonspiel. Sign sheet at the Legion. There will be two draws at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., the proceeds for Cancer Society.

February 27: Branch Executive Meeting.

February 28 to March 1: Haliburton Highlands Musical Festival and Celebration of Achievement will be held on March 2. The concert will be held in the Legion auditorium.

March 5: Veterans Affairs Rep. Jennifer Aubour will be at the Legion from 9 a.m. to help any veteran who needs information or assistance not just Legion members.

March 6: First General Meeting of the branch in 1997.

The new doors at the main entrance have been installed and were purchased with the \$5,000 given to the branch by the L.A.

The Friday afternoon meat draws are still very popular. Come join us for an afternoon of fun.

Happy Valentine's to all.

Community celebrates minister's birthday

WEST GUILFORD

News

Eleanor Cooper
754-2388

In a full hall on February 1 at the Centre, the Rev. Paul Benson's 50th birthday was celebrated with great joy on all sides. It was a complete surprise for the guest of honour, one of the best surprises being the presence of Paul's daughter Melanie, son-in-law, and grandchildren from B.C. His mother and sister were also there. Skits were performed in the suitably decorated hall.

A cake was served after the pot luck meal and the ministers of the other denominations sang a tribute to Paul, one song being an appropriate parody on "All Things Bright and Beautiful", all pastors great and small! Congratulations Paul, from those of us who would love to have joined you.

A helpful note from David Pequegnat: if you are travelling to France, David has information as to where to eat and live at low cost, 754-1921.

Nineteen men attended at the Baptist church on Saturday morning. At this monthly gathering three generations, Danier, Darko and Denni Knezevic were present. Ross Lee, a retired minister now living at Eagle Lake, spoke of some experiences while ministering in Russia some years ago.

Victor Knapp's presentation of some of his miniature Biblical scenes completed the occasion after breakfast. St. Andrew's Church's annual vestry meeting was held on February 5 at the church with eight present to attend to the business of the future year as well as assess the maintenance of the physical building and the spiritual welfare of the congregation. A pot luck supper to which all are invited welcomes you on March 22.

A sad note ends the news: Kay Barry informs me of the death of a former resident of the community, in the person of Elsie Wilson, on January 30, 1997. Her husband, Frank, is a resident in a nursing home in Kirkland Lake. Our sympathy extends to their son, Tom (whom I taught at the Guilford school 40 years ago), and to his sister.

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Dorset council bids retiring clerk farewell

by **PHYSLLIS BRISCOE**
Dorset News

The council and staff of Sherborne et al had a retirement party for Jean Martin on Friday, January 31. Jean was Road's bookkeeper/payroll clerk for eight-and-a-half years.

Reeve Ross Rabjohn presented Jean with a floral mantle clock, inscribed with her years of service to the corporation. Roads Superintendent, Joe Barager, presented Jean with a beautifully carved duck, from the road's department. This was hand-carved by Joe.

Diane Griffin, CAO, presented Jean with a delicate wooden butterfly trivet from the office staff. The beautiful carving was done by Dianne. The guest of honour also received beautiful flower and many good wishes.

A delicious lunch was catered by the Dorset Life Liners. Our new restaurant, next to Claytons Store, is called "Rumours". They are open and already have many satisfied customers. We wish them the best.

The Dorset Winter Carnival is fast arriving. Snowball '97 begins on Friday, February 14 and continues on Saturday, February 15. There is plenty of snow for ice sculptures to be molded so hope we have plenty ready for judging on the 14th.

Birthday greetings to Eric Hamilton. Eric lives in Toronto but has a summer home on the island which he first visited when he was a babe in his mother's arms in 1907. Julie Moulard, May Moore, and Esther Fortney also celebrated birthdays. Ellen Avery was born February 8, 1903. Her mailing address is at Burtons, 41 Bernadine Street, Scarborough, Ontario M1P 4M3.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Helen Sutton who passed away at Huntsville Hospital on

Wednesday, January 29. Helen lived at her home on Kawagama Lake since her retirement with her dear friend Mary Fitz-Gibbon. Helen was a member of the Dorset Senior Club, holding the position as president for three years. She will be sadly missed by her many friends.

The Funeral Service was held at the Addison Funeral Chapel in Huntsville on Saturday, February 1 at 1 p.m. Officiants were Father Paul Morley and Rev. Robin Smith.

The Dorset skating rink is now in perfect shape, due mainly to the volunteer work done by Ron and Joe Fuller. They have spent many taken care of by volunteers from the community. When you go to the rink be sure to take a

shovel with you to help out Ron and Joe

Can we trust Warton Willie? I guess Puxatawny Phil made the same prediction so we can surely look forward to an early spring. The snow is beautiful and a boon to the winter sports fans and the resorts. However, I think that we of the proletariat who prefer warm, balmy days to brisk, snowy ones, would really prefer an early, (the sooner the better) spring. We have faith in you, Warton Willie, and are depending on you to keep your word.

H.H. Dental floss is very strong and has other uses besides cleaning your teeth: Restraining beads, sewing buttons on children's clothes or tying up packages.

Wilberforce's Loop Winter Carnival has activities for everyone this weekend

by **HILDA CLARK**
Wilberforce News

The Loop Winter Carnival with many fine activities is this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14 and 15. Flyers and other advertising of events are in the papers and at the stores. Hope everyone enjoys the meals, cross country skiing at Silent Lake, snow pitch, treasure hunt, dances, hockey shoot out, dog parade and all the other great outdoor games.

The Loop Troupe has been busy selecting and casting two short plays which will be staged in April. Flo Elliott will be directing one and Ernie Hemphill the other. Several new faces will be seen in these productions. Such excitement!

Students of the Week have been named over the past several weeks at the Wilberforce school: In Grade 5/6, Amanda Townsend, Daniel Vanier for showing care and concern for classmates, James Forde for great effort and participation in phys. ed. and Robbie Smearer for co-operation and a great piece of art; from Gr. 1/2, Lana Cole and Kristin Nicholson who co-operated, working hard on an animal project, Brendan Watson who read 30

books, Kristin Nicholson read 61 books and she's only in Grade 1, Billie-Rose Clarkson for promptness in classroom routes, Austin Harris-Saxby for great manners and consideration of classmates; in the Gr. 1 class, Ryan Baumhour, Amanda Petrie wrote a whole page story, Matthew Robar put forth his best effort; in Kindergarten, Andrea Rowbottom; and stars in 3/4 have been Chris Durga, Daniel Riley, Tanya Hutchinson and Laura Riley.

Reports that went home to families a few weeks ago are two pages long. These are a pilot project of the government which is trying to establish a standard report across the province. It appears that they are very comprehensive and lengthy. Teachers and parents will give feedback on their usefulness. Now will anyone do anything with the feedback!?

The students have enjoyed several Friday afternoons of electives, all with physical education activities. The students elected or chose from bowling in Bancroft, curling in Wilberforce, skating at the arena, outdoor activities at the school and indoor activities at the centre.

Sorry the column has not been available these past few weeks. "Shingles on the roof", not snow, has slowed down the writing urge.

I was pleased there was a good turnout at the Superannuated Teachers of Ontario/ERO luncheon in Haliburton recently. And that was without the Wilberforce Contingent of Griffiths and Clark, missing for medical reasons.

Best wishes to Murray Agnew for speedy recovery from surgery in Peterborough last Tuesday. We hear he is in great spirits and has been transferred from Civic to St. Josephs for rehabilitation.

Thew Heritage Guild is holding an old-fashioned games day on February 17 from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

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February 15 **HEART & STROKE X-COUNTRY SKI FOR HEART**, at Glebe Park, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Pledge forms can be picked up at Hagerman Eastmure Associates. \$10 of money raised for Heart & Stroke gets participant a free day pass for trails.

February 15 Haliburton Minor Hockey Assoc. **FUNDRAISING DANCE** 8:00 p.m. at Dysart Community Centre. \$5.00 per person. Tickets available at the arena snackbar

February 16 **PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST** Royal Canadian Legion Auditorium, 1:00pm. Sponsored by Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129. Support the youth in your community. Be entertained by stories and speeches from students in Grades 1 - 13. Refreshments will be served.

February 16 Cobocook & District Lions Club Annual **SLEIGH RIDE** 1:00 pm Cobocook Lions Hall, free hot dogs & hot chocolate. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Cobocook Food Bank.

February 20 Haliburton Legion **50+ CLUB DINNER & DANCE**, 4:30pm at Haliburton Legion. You don't have to be a Legion member. Members \$5.00, Guests \$7.00. Coming? Call 286-3247 by Feb 17. Auction to follow dinner.

February 22 **RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE**. 9am - 1pm. Baby and kids items, books, sporting goods, household items. Sponsored by JDHES School Council

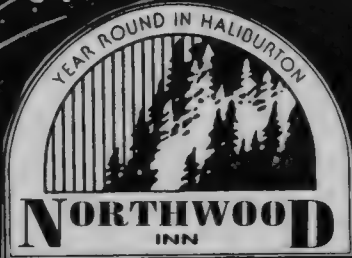
February 22 **HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS LEARNING PROGRAM** will be holding a **BOWL-ATHON** from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Camarvon Bowl, and Sunday, February 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the County Bowling Centre, Minden. Sponsor sheets available at HHLP office, Haliburton, Camarvon Bowl and County Bowling Centre. Info. 457-3430. Support Literacy.

March 7 St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** 7:00pm, all welcome (men, women & children)

April 11-13, 18-19 **ANNE OF GREEN GABLES** 7:30 pm. Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Tickets from Paulette's in Haliburton, The Store Room in Minden after February 19. Presented by Drama Club, HHSS and Highlands Little Theatre.

April 19, St. George's Anglican Church presents **CELEBRATE**, a concert featuring the 60 voice Mohawk College Singers. Haliburton Legion, 7:30pm. Reserved tickets \$17.50 advance (\$20 at the door), \$10. students, available at Perfect Prints, Master's Bookstore in Haliburton or Campbell's Flowers, Minden. Proceeds to Church Restoration.

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To Matthew: Fröhlicher Valentine's Tag. Grüsse and Küsse aus der Schweiz - Gotti.

Cabbage Patch: You melted my heart a long time ago when you curled your tiny hand around my finger and through the years you've brought more joy than you could ever imagine. With all my heart I love you for you're my special Valentine - Love, Dad.

To my lady: With all my love for the memories of yesterday, for the happiness of today, for the promise of all our tomorrows - Love, John.

My Love
by JACK HILL

When we were young, my love and I
Saw comets streak a velvet sky;
Saw unicorns among the trees;
Saw clover fields and honey bees;
Saw orchids blooming by a brook -
We took the time to stop and look.
Then later, when the children came,
Our love still strong, but not the same;
There wasn't time to dream a dream -
See lady's slippers by the stream.
Our days were filled with getting by -
No comets streaked across the sky.
Now we grow old, my love and I,
Sometimes we look back with a sigh -
What would I change in that long life,
Dear partner, friend and loving wife?
The answer's clear as skies in spring,
My love, I wouldn't change a thing.

My Dad

My Dad he is a wonderful man,
I love him thru and thru
I am almost three, but I can tell why,
I love him like I do.
He smiles and laughs and plays with me,
And tucks me into bed
And when I am not the best I can be,
He usually scratches his head.
He is my only Valentine, we always have lots of fun
And when he gets the

Carebear Stare, 5-4-3-2-1.
He knows it's from his little girl, who knows her A-B-C's,
Bye for now, I love you Dad, from your little tease.
Charlie S.
P.S. Mom helped!

Happy Valentine's Day Nana, "You make me so happy". Love you so much, Charlie S.

To our Sweetie Pie:
Roses are red
Violets are blue
The best thing that happened
Last year was you!
Happy First Valentine, Matthew - Love, Granma and Granpa

To Grandma's 7 Hearts: Sarah, Jeff, Bradford, Rachel, Heidi, Jesse and Sammi. Lots of love and Happy Valentine's Day!

To my Tiger: I'll love you forever! Love, Dreamer.

Happy Valentine's Day Josh E. From, Guess who?

Mr. Scott: You're the best teacher. Happy Valentine's Day, Andrew.

Brian: It is #9 and you are still my Valentine. One more buddette and our life is very full. All our love, M, C, R & K.

To: Mom, Dad, Keelan and Jocelyn. Have a Happy Valentine's Day. From, Avery.

Mom, Dad and Chuck: Happy Valentine's Day. Love, Andrew.

To my Papa Bear: Love from, Mama Bear.

Doug (alias Mike from Canmore):
LOVE is being with you, doing the everyday things together,
And though sometimes they may not seem very exciting,
There's a comfortable feeling that sharing them brings.
That's what love is to me - sharing a life that together we've made so special.

I love you,
Happy Valentine's Day -
Jean.

Dreams of You
From the shadows of darkness
Dreams drift lazily through my mind
Come memories of love
Forgotten moments left behind.
I reach out for you so slowly
To run my fingers through your hair
I love you and I need you
Why are you never there?
Like silent shadows of the night
It's not easy to be alone
Why won't you ever stay with me?
Don't wake me - just come to my dreams.
Now you are forever within my reach
Your face, your lips, your hair
You're a wondering love of darkness
But when I wake you won't be there.
I love you and I will always love you!
Together forever - A.M. & B.F.

I Still Love You

Grateful for the memories
That drift within my mind
So ever near but still far away
Darlin, you're forever on my mind.
Too young to know the difference
Between love and having fun
It's too late to mend the hurt
With you - the one whose always there.
I threw away the love
That you and I once shared
If only I had known
How much I really did care.
Even now that time has passed
I can help your heart to heal
For the love we once shared
For the love I want back.
Now I have found the love
For you and only you
That will last forever
The love I have for you

I do have and I will share
I will share it all with you;
Because I love you and I will always love you!
Together forever - A.M. & B.F.

Dearest Sam: I'll pump your gas, we'll spark some internal combustion, and there's no limit to the places we can go, together. Yours forever in ignition and timing, Rita.

Grammar: Although we are not always together, we love you and know you will always love us. Love hugs and kisses, Jenna and Nicholas.

Les: I love you this brand new Valentine's Day. Love, Maryanne.

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
My dearest "Sam",
I'll always love you!
P.S. Miss your tie a lot.
With love, U-No-Hoo (Remember me?)

Robert - Ty Domi or not, you're my hero. Love, Mommy.

Candace - You're some kind of wonderful! I love you Lucy. Love, Mommy.

Dear Martha:
Roses are red, the stitches were blue
The cast was white
But that you knew.
My OHIP was paid
For the house the doc bought
Now they're painting my name

On his old parking spot.
The crutches were wood
The cane made of steel
They're both hard to work
Until you get the feel.
There's nowhere on my body
There isn't a scar
Which I'm sure helped the nurse
Buy her new car.
As you already know
I've had some bad days
I'm must so glad
You love me anyways.
Happy Valentine's Day - Luv, Tim the Tool Man.

To My Hunter:
A bright orange hat

Makes one happy man
His favourite season of all
Which makes him feel like a "millionaire".
Take the long way home, honey - From, Yours Truly.

To My Funny Valentine: Mommie, you make me laugh all year long. Love you lots - Your drop kick son, Brandon.

To Douglas- To precious beginnings that will continue to evolve around us. Angel.

There are all kinds of dogs in this big wide world,
And it would be so hard to choose
But I think that my favourite is an Irish "Pointer",
With that kind of hound you can't lose.
Signed - Buttercup forever. (XXOO)

"Over the hills and far away...
If the sun refused to shine
I would still be loving you;
When the mountains crumble to the sea
There would still be you and me...
The song remains the same - as it shall always be"

Happy Valentine's Day, Colin -
I love everything about you,
Especially holding, kissing, hugging
And loving you.
Hugs and kisses - Love, Angie.

To Brooke -
Here's two hearts
Full of wishes to say
Hope you have a happy Valentine's Day!
Love, Mommy & Daddy.

Dear Bert:
Roses are red,
Not all violets are blue
This one's tickled pink
To be together with you!
(Our 58th wedding anniversary will be in September this year)
Violet Cockburn.

Have a great day June & Phil (Mom & Dad)! We love you! Terri & Brian.

Hey Fred - I love you and your buddy Joe! Love, Peaches.

Richie - You da man! Love, Pooter.

See VALENTINES page 22

FROM page 21

Hank:
Roses are red
Violets are blue
I miss you warming my bed
I'll give you my word -
forever I'll love you.
Sleepless in Haliburton

Sharon: You decided to go off on your own. Unfortunately, it has split our home. We both will move on with each separate life, but I must do it without my wife. For both of us a life begins anew - I just want you to know I still love you.

Beth: Another year, just you and me, playing around in this jello tree. Love, Glen.

B & G: Thanks for all your love, each and every day. Love, Darla.

My Sweetheart -
My love for you
Grows deeper every day
As in a way
I like to say
I love you
And Happy Valentine's Day!
All my love, Ted.

To Roland and Matthew:
For two special men
One big and one small
Who light up my life
And give me it all.
This Valentine's wish,
goes out with much love
For my two special men
Are my gifts from above.
Love, M.

Carol -
Roses are red
Violets are blue
I could not imagine
Being without you.
It must be true love,
Between you and I,
Because your hand in mine,
Truly fits like a glove!
Love always, Les.

To Henry - Love, Boo Boo Bear. Happy Valentine's Day!

To My #1 Kid - Love, Mommy (C.T.)

Nanny - I love, you.
Brandon T.

Poppa - You've body-
slammed my heart.
Brandon T.

To Ang: Surprise! Happy 5th Valentine's Day, hon! Hope this Valentine's Day is the most special one yet! I also hope you enjoy our trip! Lots of luv, C.S.

To Roger: Even after 14 years you still make my heart flutter. So glad you're mine, sweet Valentine! Love - "Your romantic admirer".

Jeff: Happy Valentine's Day. Love, Celeste.

Happy Valentine's Day to Erica, Celeste, Ann, Charlyn, Carmilla, Jaime, Sarah. From, Chris.

Happy Valentine's Day to Chris, Juston, Robin, Chris, Charlyn, Camilla, Erica, Ann, Jackie, Tanya, Micah, Tanya. From, Celeste.

Guess how much I love you
From here to eternity
For always and forever
More than before
And for just the way you are.

Happy Valentine's, Sir Smile-a-lot.
Love, Your Little Nutbrown Hare.

To all my favourite Valentines: Mad Max, Blondie, Sophie-mine, The Big Guy, Punkin', and little Sox too - Today and every day, I love you!

Happy Valentine's Day, Mom. From, Jeremy.

Happy Valentine's Day, Lindsay. From, Jeremy.

Honey,
Our house might not be clean,
Our daughter might be only half-dressed,
My mind might be up on Cloud #9,



HE REALLY IS HER VALENTINE: Cousins Nicole Reddering and Conar Valentine give each other a hug and a kiss during a recent visit to CHACE Place in Minden. Since Nicole's mom, Lorie, is Conar's dad's sister and therefore once a Valentine herself, Nicole and Conar seem to think that every day is Valentine's Day.

Because Sheri you mean the most.
Me. XOXO

Sheri:
If I were a millionaire

you a Happy Valentine's Day. Love, your sister, Tanya.

To Kirk: First I want to thank you for being there for me and supporting me within the last few months. I know its hard for both of us being apart, but the love we have for each other will keep us going forever. I love you with all my heart. Happy Valentine's Day sweetheart. Love always, Tanya.

Team 3 kids are really neat!

Team 3 kids are really sweet!

Team 3 kids have smelly feet!

(Just kidding) Happy Valentine's Day.

We love you!
Ms. Amson, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Bain.

Happy Valentine's Day, Mom. Love, hugs and kisses, Gaff, Squirt and Dad.

To My Valentine:
There once was a girl who was a bit weird,
Who was in love with a guy that once had a bit of a beard,
She said, "I love you!"
And what did he do?
He whooped, and he hollered and cheered.
Love always.

To Pooky: You may have been Maggie's but now you're mine. You're my favourite chewy! Jake

To Ray: I love jumping in bed with you. Love Maggie.

OOOOPS!

Cupid's arrow mistakenly hit one of our Valentine's files, making it disappear. If we've missed your Valentine, we apologize -

*Roses are red,
Our readers are true,
Check if there's a
Valentine,
Here for you!*

Daddy: I may threaten to throw you out the window (with the cats, dog & Mommy), but I still love you a whole big bunch! Love, your darling daughter, Johnna. XOXO

To My Monger - Be my Valentine for the 19th nervous breakdown. Love ya! Your Love Monger.

But my love for you is stronger than ever.

You're the tall, dark-haired, and handsome man Who swept me off my feet almost a decade ago;

Sure, my love can be influenced with flowers and jewelry,

But my love would blossom with compliments and praise.

You're the man of my dreams,

The love of my life,
The father of our child,
But most importantly, you're my best friend!

I love you, sweetheart,
My life rotates around you,

If we help each other a little more

Our lives will run smoother!

Love always, 'Your Little Jenny'. XOXO

Sheri:
I want to take you in my arms
And hold you really close
I want to tell you how I feel

It wouldn't mean a thing
But if I had you by my side
I'd feel just like a king.
Me. XOXO

Sheri:
A poem won't do you justice
And flowers just don't compare
I want to do so much for you
And tell you that I care.
Me. XOXO

To Mom & Dad: I want to thank you for everything you've done for me, especially in the last few months. Your love and support has helped me get where I am today. I also want to take this time to tell you that I love you very much for everything you've done. Happy Valentine's Day to the best parents ever. Love, your daughter Tanya.

To Shane, Tara and Shauna: I want to thank you for your support within the last few months. I love you all and want to wish



Community gardeners planning for spring

by MARGERY CARTWRIGHT

An enthusiastic group of shareholders and supporters of Haliburton's Community Shared Agriculture (CSA) met recently at a pot luck supper, hosted by Marnie Blair. Several new members were welcomed.

Farm planning already anticipates the excitement of spring. Donna Clark reported that her seasonal transplants were doing well, showing optimistic green sprouts. According to Jean Schlicklin-Tyler, last summer's bees were successful and will be back. In the meantime, honey is available at the farm. Some thought has also been put towards a 'dye' garden, a plot for plants that could provide useful dyes for hand-weaving. Also, members and visitors may be able to enjoy seeing sheep on the farm if plans progress.

CSA is a concept that allows non-farmers to take out a share

in a local farm, help with the planning and work, and benefit from the harvest. This way, consumers know the origin of their food, who is growing it, and have a say in the type of food grown. Waverly Brook Farm uses organic principles, and consumers can be confident that their food is free of pesticides, sprays and other factors that can encourage food sensitivities and allergies. Besides, as the 32 prize-winning ribbons from last year's local fairs attest, the food looks and tastes very good too.

Our Highland CSA has been contacted by two other groups in the county for advice in starting similar projects.

Area residents interested in joining the members of Highland Harvest should contact Jean or Godfrey Tyler at 457-2214. There are still a few shares left for this coming summer, and a warm welcome waits for those who join.



THERE'S NO BEATING HIM: Anyone who dared to take on Russell Snoddon in arm wrestling at the high school last Friday had to be prepared to lose. Russell was the undisputed lunch hour champion, as Mike Hamilton discovered.

Hyland Crest seeks palliative care volunteers

Those who have ever sat through the dying days with a loved one, know how exhausting, both physically and mental-

ly, this can be, but how important their presence is to the terminally ill patient. How to make those final days as comfortable as possible.

That is why, just over a year and a half ago, the Palliative Care Unit was set up at Hyland Crest. Our unit was started with 25 volunteers and the aim was, at all times, to have someone there with the terminally ill patient, so that they need never feel alone without a hand to hold. No nursing was involved - that is provided by the Hyland Crest staff, but the small caring word or action, the holding of that hand, the fluffing of a pillow, the reading of a letter or

card - these are the small, but very significant needs of someone who is not long for this world. Someone cares.

Normally, when there is a patient requiring palliative care, the volunteers work four- to six-hour shifts, but any assistance would be sincerely appreciated.

Please, if you could offer help and support, would you contact Linda Fry or Melinda O'Mara at 286-2140. Orientation classes are conducted for new members, but it is your own outgoing, caring concern that is the main factor. This is an aging community. Think about that and how this need might affect any of us down the road.

World Day of Prayer highlights South Korean concerns

The annual World Day of Prayer service will be held at St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church at 7 p.m. on March 7.

Using the theme, "Like a Seed Which Grows into a Tree," Christian women of South Korea have prepared the World Day of Prayer service for 1997.

Due to the hostilities which still divide their country, these women are not able to write the service together with their sis-

ters in North Korea. Although persecuted for their efforts to end the divisions of their country, South Korean women are steadfast in their call in the service for the reunification of the two Koreas.

As the world learns of the desperate famine situation in North Korea, the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada, along with partner churches and WDP groups in Canada, will

strive to address the needs of all the suffering members of the Korean family.

World Day of Prayer is a global, ecumenical movement of "informed prayer and prayerful action." On the first Friday in March each year, people in over 170 countries participate in a common service in their own locality. Services are translated into hundreds of languages and dialects.

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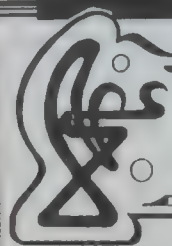
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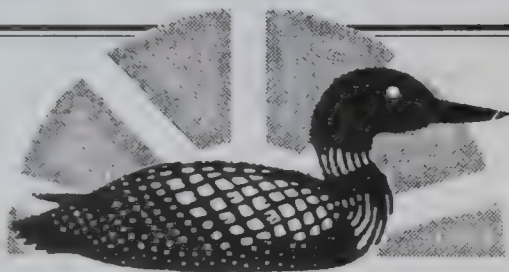
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Seniors enjoy letters from Grade 5 pen pals

We are pleased to welcome another member to our committee, Muriel Harrison, who will bring us the news from Lilac Lounge on the ground floor. For those of us who moved from the main floor to Lilac Lounge we are finally adjusting to our new surroundings.

For the past few years, children in Bonnie Berry's Grade 5

class at Archie Stouffer Elementary School have participated in a pen pal program with our residents. Once a month their letters come to us, and with the help of Molly McCarthy and her helper, reply letters are written. This is a very enjoyable project and we look forward to hearing from our young friends.

On January 31 a few of us got

SENIOR LEAGUE

Hyland Crest News

Donna Wallace

286-2140

together and feasted on Chinese food and learned a little about the Chinese New Year and their Zodiac.

On February 1 we enjoyed listening to piano renditions by John Menzies. Also, Muriel Harrison and Nina Prentice enjoyed a visit from their nephew, Ron Russell of Baltimore, Maryland, Muriel's son, Tom Harrison of Toronto also joined in.

We were sorry to hear of the fire that Donna and Malcolm

Wallace suffered recently. Donna was a volunteer at our home. Our thoughts are with you.

We have two special occasions to look forward to, Pancake Lunch and a Mardis Gras Parade on February 11 and, of course, our Valentine's Dinner with our families on the 14th.

We were pleased to hear that Jo McCann's wife is recovering nicely from her surgery.

According to Wiarton Willy we can expect an early spring. All we can say to that is "Hurry up." We are sure some of you are already ordering your flower and vegetable seeds for your gardens this year. If you enjoy gardening and can spare an hour or two a week, we will need volunteers to help us with our gardening this year.

Generous donations help purchase heart monitor

by WILLIE COX

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary wishes to thank the many individuals and groups who support our fund-raising. Help comes in many forms, donations for raffles, donations

of space, donations of hand-made items for the gift shop, and donations of cash. We are grateful for the support given by the community.

The money raised since the purchase of the new x-ray machine has been spent on a

much needed heart monitor. Now we are working to purchase a slit lamp and a processing unit.

The lamp will magnify as well as provide light. This will enable the user to remove an object from an eye with greater ease. The processing unit will replace

the worn-out unit and process x-ray film.

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Recent changes to provincial government funding envelopes has seen a more focused approach to funding with government agencies only funding services which very directly fall under their mandates. The dilemma we face is that we provide such a variety of services that we don't fit neatly into any funding silo.

Although we are working with the various local service providers to receive funding partial funding based on the contribution we make to each, there is no definite answer in sight.

As of March 31, 1997, if no funding is secured, the HCICI will close its doors for good and many of the programs and services provided will go with it.

Although there has been support from the various levels of government the old maxim "the squeaky wheel gets the grease" still holds true. Those who believe that the services which the HCICI provides are valuable and necessary within the community should contact the various politicians to voice their concern and to insure that your rights and services are not lost by default.

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LOCATION: Dorset Elementary School
(Just off Highway 35 in Dorset)

To attend Kindergarten in September '97, students must be 5 years of age by December 31, 1997.

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NOTICE

IN THE MATTER of the Municipal Act and in the matter of a proposed By-Law of the Corporation of the Township of Glamorgan to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of an original allowance for road along the shore of Tamarack Lake, more particularly hereinafter described.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter M45, Section 297 and Section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, that the Township Council of the Corporation of the Township of Glamorgan proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, Gooderham, Ontario on Wednesday, the 26th day of March, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 26, Concession 3, Township of Glamorgan, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey made by Greg Bishop, O.L.S., dated October 30, 1996.

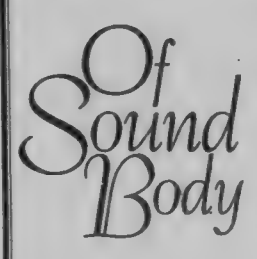
The Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours at the Township of Glamorgan offices, Gooderham, Ontario.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Township of Glamorgan shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard.

DATED at Gooderham, Ontario this 23rd day of January, 1997.

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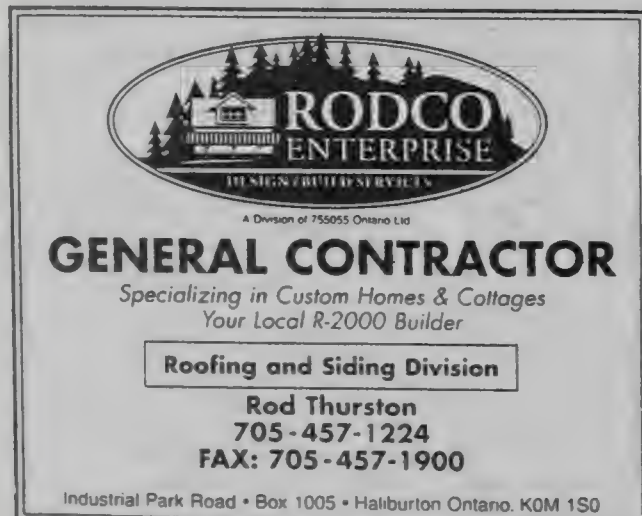


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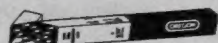
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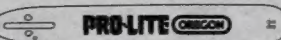
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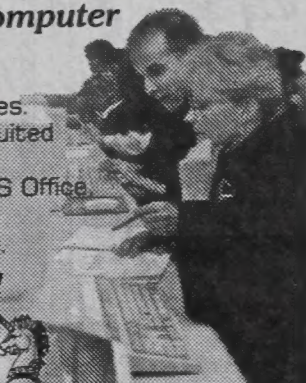
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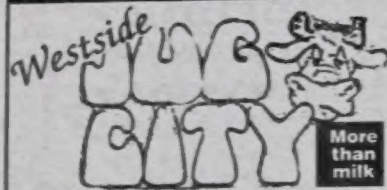
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ried/single, old/young, out/clos-
eted? You are invited to attend
an ongoing Information, Sup-
port and Wellness Group in
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ing is February 18, 1997 at 7:00
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DRINKING?** Alcoholics Anony-
mous meets 10:30 a.m. each
Sunday, Orange Hall, Hal-
iburton. And/Or call 754-4428,
457-1815 or 286-2587.

330 THANK YOU

THE FAMILY OF the late
Dwayne Cooper would like to
thank our relatives and friends
for their love and support during
our loss. The flowers, donations,
money, food, cards, phone calls,
prayers and time spent with us
during and after were greatly ap-
preciated. A special thank you to
Rev. Walford-Davis, Gary
Brohman, The Gordon Monk
Funeral Home and the United
Church Ladies - **Jerald, Pat,
Karen, Jerry, Nicole and
Keisha.**

THE COMMITTEE OF the
Lochlin Community and Park
Centre would like to thank
everyone for their support at our
Christmas Pot Luck Dinner.
Sorry we have been so long to
thank you for the donations of
money, door prizes and food.

390 DEATH NOTICES

**HUTCHINGS, SIDNEY IS-
ABEL (Resident of Haliburton,
Ontario)** - At Haliburton
Hospital on Saturday, February
8, 1997, in her 96th year.
Beloved wife of the late Harry
Hutchings. Loving mother of
Bernard and his wife Shirley of
Port Perry and Richard Austin
and his wife Jean of Haliburton.
Fondly remembered by her
grandchildren, Susan of Os-
hawa, and Martin and his wife
Anne of Port Perry, and great
grandchildren Jessica, Andrew
and Daniel. Dear sister of Leah
Austin of Haliburton. Prede-
ceased by brothers William and
Charles Burke. Also lovingly re-
membered by many nieces and
nephews. Friends are invited to
call at the HALIBURTON COM-
MUNITY FUNERAL HOME,
Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario
(705) 457-9209 on Wednesday
morning, February 12, 1997
from 10 o'clock until time of Fu-
neral Service in the Chapel at
11 o'clock. Spring interment
Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton.
As expressions of sympa-
thy donations to St. George's
Anglican Church would be ap-
preciated by the family. CA

390 DEATH NOTICES

**MORRISON, ORVAL
GRENVILLE (Resident of
West Guilford, Ontario)** - At
Haliburton Hospital on Friday,
February 7, 1997, in his 71st
year. Loving husband of Colleen
Miller. Dear father of Iris (Mrs.
Carl Miscio) of Minden. Lovingly
remembered by grandson
Evan. Dear brother of Charlie
Morrison. Predeceased by his
brothers and sisters John,
Lawrence, Edna, Arthur, Edith
and Howard. Also lovingly re-
membered by many nieces and
nephews. Family and friends
called at the HALIBURTON
COMMUNITY FUNERAL
HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton
(705) 457-9209 on Sunday,
February 9, 1997 from 2-4 and
7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was
held in the Chapel on Monday
morning, February 10, 1997 at
11 o'clock. Spring interment
Maple Lake United Church
Cemetery. As expressions of
sympathy donations to the
Heart and Stroke Foundation
would be appreciated by the
family. CA

AT REST

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mother of Amy, Andrew and
Elizabeth. Survived by her sis-
ter Mrs. Winnifred Blanchard. A
Private Family Service will be
held at the Gordon A. Monk Fu-
neral Home, 127 Main St., Min-
den. Cremation. Interment High-
land Park Cemetery. Memorial
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minds
Of the loving family you left be-
hind.
Deeply missed by **Jim and
Family.**

RABY, IVA - In loving mem-
ory of a dear mother and grand-
mother who passed away
February 15, 1994.
Sadly missed along life's way
Quietly remembered every day.
No longer in our life to share
But in our hearts she's always
there.
Forever loved and missed by
Betty, Larry and Trevor.

400 IN MEMORIAM

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memory of a dear husband, dad
and grandpa, Floyd, who
passed away February 13,
1985.

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dear,
Treasured still with a love sin-
cere;
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is kept,
We loved him too dearly to for-
get.
Lovingly remembered by **Etta,
June, Grant and Cory.**

LITTLE - In loving memory of
our dear son, brother, and un-
cle, Leonard, who passed away
February 14, 1996.
Down the path of memories,
We gently tread today;
For our loving thoughts are with
you,
Never will forget.
Ever remembered by **The
Family.**

RABY, IVA MAY - In loving
memory of a dear mother,
grandmother and great grand-
mother, who passed away Feb-
ruary 15, 1994.
Your presence we miss
Your memory we treasure
Loving you always
Forgetting you never.
Loved and remembered always
by **Frank, Karen, Paul, Keith,
Jackie & great grandchildren
Jake, Traviss, Samantha and
Jennifer.**

RABY, IVA MAY - In loving
memory of a dear mother and
grandmother, who passed away
February 15, 1994.
Always in our memory,
Forever in our hearts.
Sadly missed by **Ross, Lynda
and family.**

**THE DEADLINE FOR
CLASSIFIEDS
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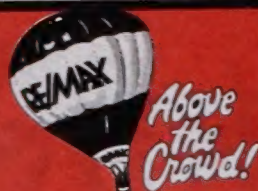
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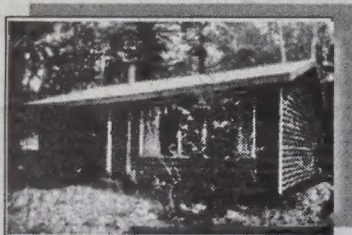
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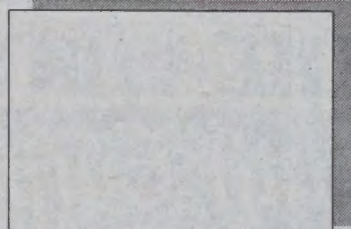
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